

Senior, Junior High School P-T-A. Formed

Under the Chairmanship of Mrs. J. P. Dowell, whose duty as Vice President of the County P-T-A. is to organize new groups of P-T-A. members, the McKinney Senior and Junior High School P-T-A. was formed and elected officers and work outlined at a well-attended meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the Junior High School.

In the absence of Mrs. Jack Little, of Dallas, Vice President of the State P-T-A., who is ill, Mrs. W. I. Bishop of Justin, President of the Second District, presided. Mrs. Bishop stated, "The object of the P-T-A. is to promote the welfare of the youth in the home, school, and community. Membership in the P-T-A. offers you a way to share your child's school life."

Mrs. Bishop asked the cooperation of the parents and teachers in the new P-T-A. work.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Elmo Cloyd, President; Mrs. W. C. Dowdy, First Vice-President; Mrs. T. S. (Pat) Murphy, Second Vice-President; Mrs. H. O. Green, Third Vice-President; Mrs. Hugh Straughn, Secretary; Mrs. Pat N. Roberts, Treasurer; Mrs. Sam Hill, Historian; Mrs. Eugene Hoard, Parliamentarian.

Mrs. Bishop made an impressive address at the installation of the new officers.

A call meeting of the Executive Committee will be held soon to complete the committees which will carry out the P-T-A. work.

Members of the new organization express their gratitude to W. H. Coffman, florist, for the decoration at the Junior High School, where the meeting was held.

Naturalization Index Started

(Sherman Democrat.)

Work of indexing naturalization records, which were kept in the district clerk's office until 1906, was started Tuesday by four persons under a professional and service project of the week projects administration.

The work is being directed by J. O. Smith of McKinney, with workers trained in this type of work on the county records project which was concluded last year.

The naturalization records are being indexed as a national defense project, no local contribution is required, the projects being sponsored by the immigration and naturalization division of the department of justice. The project is set up on a 90 days basis, but it is expected that the Grayson county project will be finished before that time. Fifty workers are carrying on this project in the 14 counties of the Dallas WPA district.

Naturalization papers are now filed in the federal court, and have been since 1906. The project will not extend to that court. It is designed to tie in with the recently-completed alien registration.

District Clerk V. R. Henderson said that the index of criminal records in the clerk's office, done by this group of workers last autumn, has proved valuable in locating information about old cases, and saves a great deal of time.

He said that several inquiries are received every day from draft boards all over the country, inquiring about criminal records of selective service registrants. With the criminal index it is a simple matter to turn to the proper place.

Honor Roll At Lovejoy School

The honor roll for Lovejoy School the past six weeks has been announced as follows: First Grade, Rita Louise Henderson; Second Grade, Dale Spurr; Third Grade, Barbara Ann Striplin; Fourth Grade, Sylvia Rue Taylor; Seventh Grade, Mary Louise Pettway; Eighth Grade, Doyle Hendrick.

BIRTHDAY DINNERS FOR TWO ANNA MEN.

Relatives of H. B. Randles, of Anna gave him a surprise on his birthday Sunday by bringing baskets of food and spending the day. Mr. and Mrs. Randles have recently completed a new home here from elsewhere were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Penny and family of Whitewater, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Randles and family of Blue Ridge, Mr. and Mrs. Buck O'Neal of Van Alstyne, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Davis and family of McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Randles and children of Kelly.

Mrs. Ben Rattan entertained with a dinner Sunday honoring her husband on his birthday. Relatives present from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Powell of Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. John Thornton of Anna, Route 1, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cunningham of Dallas.

Funeral Is Held Wednesday For J. H. Wilmeth

Funeral services were held for John Henry Wilmeth of this city Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Crouch Funeral Chapel, Rev. G. B. Bradshaw, conducting. Mr. Wilmeth died at the City Hospital at 1 o'clock Tuesday, Feb. 4, of burns received in an accident last week.

A resident of McKinney fifty years, Mr. Wilmeth was born Nov. 14, 1885, in Hickman County, Ky., the son of John H. and Belle Wilmeth. He was married to Miss Cora Jane McKinney in 1905.

The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church.

Funeral services were: M. T. McGarrath, Silas McGarrath, Hershel McGarrath, Mack Myrick, and LeRoy Wilmeth, nephews; and Bill Myers.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Cora Jane Wilmeth; his son, Austin Bryant Wilmeth, McKinney, and daughter, Mrs. R. E. Durham, of Dallas.

A brother, R. B. Wilmeth, Paul's Valley, Oklahoma, and a daughter, Mrs. W. D. McGarrath, McKinney, survive, as well as a number of nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, a brother, and two sisters.

Interment was in the McLary Cemetery, just North of the city.

Fourteen Collin Selectees To Be Given Program

The next group of Collin County selectees, fourteen in number, will leave McKinney Friday morning, February 7, will be honored with a program at 8:30 that morning in the district courtroom of the courthouse. The program will be sponsored by the Jimmie Geigas American Legion Post, with Commander J. W. McKinney in charge.

The program follows: Opening Prayer, W. S. Smith, Song, "America," "The Collin County 'Your Friend' Club," Hon. H. H. Neilson, "Life Of a Rookie," Jack R. Ryan.

Address by Dr. Clifford S. Weaver, Pastor of the First Christian Church.

Song, "God Bless America," Benediction, W. S. Smith.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend by Commander McKinney and give these selectees a rousing send-off. He is urging all Legionnaires and ex-service men to attend.

Mr. McKinney says that another group of four Collin County youths will leave February 14 for army induction centers.

Special Service Thursday Night At Full Gospel Church

There will be a special service Thursday night at the Full Gospel Tabernacle on North Chestnut Street, advises the Pastor, Rev. Earl J. Rogers.

Some thirty-five young people from the Peak and Garland Full Gospel Church of Dallas will be present and have charge of the service. Rev. Loren B. Staats, Pastor of the Dallas Church, will be on hand to bring an inspirational message that is sure to prove a blessing.

Rev. Staats and his congregation broadcast each Sunday night from 10:30 to 11:30 p. m. over KRLD. This broadcast has reached every State in the union and many foreign countries.

The group will arrive in McKinney in their special beautiful bus they have recently purchased in which they are doing a most constructive missionary work.

Troy D. Straughn Leaves For Ft. Sill

Troy D. Straughn, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Straughn, 710 Standish, left Thursday night for Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he is a member of Battery A, Second Observation Battalion. Troy volunteered for service in the army. He is a graduate of the McKinney High School, having finished in 1940. He was a member of the McKinney High School band, and will be a member of the army band at Fort Sill.

G. B. Darwin has been appointed Manager of the Gas Company of Farmersville and will live near his headquarters there in the future. Mr. Darwin will manage Josephine, Nevada, and Caddo Mills from the Farmersville office.

Mrs. W. L. Glazener of Fairfield is a guest in the home of her son, Bill Glazener and Mrs. Glazener.

Well-Attended Farm Meetings Being Held

County Agricultural Agent Jack McCullough announces interesting meetings are being held daily in various communities of the county and that officers are being elected by all community agricultural associations to serve throughout the coming year. Discussed at these meetings are certain changes that have been evolved in the mattress-making program, the dairy business, and the importance of good breeding and feeding of the dairy herd. Agent McCullough states that a dairy library is being circulated among those dairymen who are interested, the bulletins being issued by A. and M. College.

Officers elected to head the community agricultural associations will also serve as land use planning committees in their communities.

The following have been elected:

- Allen.** Alton Boyd, President. J. S. Henderson, Vice-President. H. E. Heifner, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Plano.** Will A. Vines, President. Charlie Dooley, Vice President. Herbert Vines, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Wylie.** Ed Wood, President. W. M. Holbrook, Vice President. M. T. Bozeman, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Farmersville.** George Wright, President. J. L. Scott, Vice President. R. L. Holland, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Meissa.** Jim Wyson, President. M. Graves, Vice President. Earl Milrancy, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Anna.** F. D. Sherley, President. M. C. Powell, Vice President. Ray O'Neal, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Westminster.** L. C. Kelly, President. Tom West, Vice President. Otis Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer.
 - Blue Ridge.** Jim Wilson, President. Grover Dickson, Vice President. Jim Hudson, Secretary-Treasurer.
- The following meetings were held Wednesday: Weston, Celina, Prosper, and Frisco, while other meetings were held Thursday at Princeton, Josephine, and Nevada. A general meeting will be held Friday in the Chamber of Commerce rooms for all communities which have not met, and officers of the County Association will be held.

Over Million Men In Camp By June 15

The War Department estimates the number of persons stationed at army posts, camps and stations in continental U. S. will total 1,317,100 by June 15. Estimates for the Eighth Corps area include:

- Albuquerque, N. M., 1900;
- Fort Bliss, Texas, 27,100;
- Boulder Dam, Ariz., 1,000;
- Brooks Field, Texas, 1,700;
- Fort Brown, Texas, 800;
- Camp Bowie, Brown, Texas, 29,800;
- Fort Clark, Texas, 1,500;
- Ellington Field Texas, 3,900;
- harbor defenses, Galveston, Texas, (Fort Crockett, Travis, and Jacinto) 10,900;
- Fort Huachuca, Arizona, 5,900;
- Camp Huachuca, Texas, 12,500;
- Kelly Field, Texas, 2,600;
- Fort Logan, Col., 1,300;
- Lowry Field, Colo., 4,100;
- Normale Depot, Texas, 1,300;
- Oklahoma City, Okla., 2,300;
- Fort Randolph Field, Texas, 3,900;
- Fort Sam Houston, Texas, 21,800;
- San Angelo, Texas, 200;
- Fort Sill, Okla., 19,300;
- Tucson, Ariz., 2,300;
- Camp Walters, Texas, 16,300.

Transaction Tax Discussed By Denisonian

The subject of a transaction tax was discussed by Roger Q. Evans of Denison, member of the House of Representatives, in a state-wide radio broadcast (Thursday) afternoon from 1:45 to 2 o'clock. The Grayson County man has been selected as a speaker for the political program featured over the Texas State Network. His talk originated in the studios of KNOV, Austin and will be carried by the TSN stations including KRRV, Sherman-Denison.

Miss Jane Brockman, student at Gulf Park College spent the past week-end in New Orleans with Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Emerson.

Work Starts On Underpass At Farmersville

Actual work started this week on building the Main Street underpass at Farmersville, a unit of Highway 24, with the moving of machinery of the M. E. Worrell Construction Company of Austin on the scene. The project is to cost \$118,000. Mr. Worrell states that the contract calls for completion of the work in 170 working days and will employ forty to sixty men.

The underpass will go under two railroad tracks and South Main Street, serving new highway across Collin County, says M. E. Worrell, Jr., Superintendent of the job.

Jack Skinner, of Farmersville, was admitted to the McKinney City Hospital Sunday for treatment.

Princeton High Sextet Defeats Lionesses

The Princeton girls' cage team defeated the Lionesses, 32-to-29 Tuesday night, in a game in Princeton that was close and hard-fought throughout. Princeton's victory gave them a 3-1 record with McKinney for third place in the county Class A Conference.

High scorer for Princeton was Craggett with 19 points. Akin was runner-up with 12 points.

High point player for McKinney was McMillan, with 21 points.

Score at the half was a tie, 11-to-11.

The second string game, played first, resulted in a 15-to-13 victory for Princeton.

Starting lineup for the Lionesses' first team included: McMillan, Hoskins, Russell, Forwards: Coffey, Copus, Mills, Guards: Harper substituted for Copus in the last quarter.

Each of the three top contending teams of the Class A conference still have three games to play this season. McKinney plays Blue Ridge Friday night, in McKinney.

Dr. W. H. Stallcup Fire Chief At Celina 32 Years

The Celina Fire Department was organized 32 years ago by Dr. Walter H. Stallcup, who became its first fire chief and has served in the same position ever since. He was recently elected for another year.

A practicing dentist at Celina for more than 32 years, he is a native of the community, son of Mrs. John Stallcup and the late Mr. Stallcup. He is a member of the state and national dental societies.

He and Mrs. Stallcup, the former Miss Rosa Mae Francis, are parents of Weldon (Stokes) Stallcup, ensign in the navy at Honolulu; Miss Frances Stallcup, teacher at Saint Jo; Vance Stallcup, teacher at Hereford; and Annie V. Stallcup, at home.

Cuban Political Storm Abates

Tuesday it appeared that a brief Cuban political storm had blown itself out as two officers accused of a seditious plot against President Fulgencio Batista were escorted to a Miami-bound plane. Their alleged associate, Col. Angel Gonzalez, the deposed head of the Cuban navy, remained in custody, and President Batista went ahead energetically with the program which apparently led to the trouble, a broad reorganization of the nation's armed forces.

Batista appeared to have emerged from it all stronger than ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Neeley and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith recently spent a few days in Lebanon, Tennessee, the noted school town. They motored through the country.

In a recent meeting of the Inter Se Club with Mrs. Lee Owensby, at Celina, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Harry C. Uthoff, president; Mrs. Lee Owensby, vice president; Mrs. C. M. Moore, recording secretary; Mrs. Guy Bunch, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Tuck Jones, reporter; Mrs. S. G. McKnight, treasurer. Committees will be appointed later.

Ernest Turrentine, of Durant, Okla., but formerly of McKinney, was married to Miss Freddie Pullen, of Greenville, Jan. 19, in Durant. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Pullen, of Farmersville. The couple will make their home in Durant where the groom is employed as assistant manager of the A. & P. Store.

Given Award



BILL FINNEY

President



CLYDE DOYLE

Rowlett School Students Pay Visit To Office

Sixteen students of the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades of the Rowlett School, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Denver L. Price, and Mrs. Frankie Wright and Miss Bonnie Price, visited this office Tuesday on an inspection tour. The group made field trips to several business institutions of this city including: the cotton textile mills, the Coca-Cola bottling works, the county jail, the bakery, and this newspaper plant.

Mrs. Price's husband is principal of the Rowlett School. Mrs. Clodie Reece teaches the primary grades.

Mrs. Price subscribed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for a year while she was in the office. Students who called at the office included: Esta Lena LaFollette, Betty Ford, Norman Dee Corry, Billy Jean Scott, Billy Joe Scott, Billy Cates, Everett Taylor, Cunningham, James Lewis, Tom Hulon, Malcolm LaFollette, W. H. Wright, Wesley Marshall, Lesley Marshall, Willis Jean Moore, Junior Lewis.

Tom W. Perkins In Race For Mayor Of City Of McKinney

(Dallas Times Herald.)

Tom W. Perkins, well-known in Texas newspaper circles, Past President of the Texas Press Association, today announced his candidacy for the office of Mayor of McKinney. He also served as Senator in the 31st and 32nd Sessions of Texas.

He is the first candidate for city office in McKinney. The duties of a mayor are not new to this veteran newspaper man, since he holds the distinction of serving this city as mayor longer than any other person. For seven different terms, over a period of more than a quarter of a century, he has guided local city affairs.

He and Mrs. Perkins are the parents of four children, all engaged in newspaper work. Max, well E. Perkins is editor and owner of the Farmersville Times. L. L. Perkins is connected with The Dallas Times Herald. The Times at Marshall, Texas, while their daughter, Mrs. J. Ollie Smith is society editor of the Daily Courier-Gazette.

Miss Bertha Terry, student at V. T. S. C. in Denton, spent the week-end with Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Weaver. Miss Terry has been a Librarian at South Lake for a number of years, but has a leave of absence, and is taking Library science at NTSC.

A group of radio entertainers will present a program at the Weston gymnasium Thursday night under the sponsorship of the Wodmen Lodge.

Bill Finney Given Most Distinguished Citizen Award

Bill Finney, outstanding young McKinney business, civic, and church leader, was presented with the award as McKinney's most outstanding young business man at the annual Junior Chamber of Commerce banquet and ladies' night program, held Tuesday night at the First Christian Church. Approximately 100 Jaycees, their ladies and other guests enjoyed the annual event.

The presentation was made in a most pleasing and complimentary manner by Mr. Johnson, who paid tribute to the splendid work of Mr. Finney in a civic way in the city. Mr. Finney, head of Finney's Bakery in this city, has actively engaged in a number of civic endeavors the past year. Our readers will recall that he served as General Chairman of the holiday program in McKinney the past holiday season, and for the second half of the year was President of the Junior Chamber organization. He has been active in Red Cross and Boy Scout work and, in fact, in practically all other civic projects in the city since moving here and making McKinney his home.

Opened By Singing.

The interesting program was opened with a singing, led by W. Hammond Moore, followed by invocation by Rev. Earl J. Patton, Pastor of the First Methodist church. Then followed the delicious dinner, enjoyed by the nearly 100 in attendance.

President Clyde Doyle of the Jaycees opened the program proper, and in a few timely and well-chosen remarks spoke his appreciation for the assistance of the committees and other workers who had helped make the event a success. He then introduced Mr. Finney, the immediate Past President, who gave a concise report on Jaycee activities the past year.

Much credit rightfully goes to the Program and other Committees for making the program an outstanding success, composed of V. C. Hitchcock, Chairman; W. P. Abernathy, and Earl Walker.

V. C. Hitchcock Honored.

One of the featured items of the program was a splendid tribute paid to Mr. Hitchcock, who with his wife recently moved to Greenville, transferred by the Community Natural Gas Company, paid by L. D. Robinson on behalf of the organization. The tribute, ably given, fell on worthy shoulders. Mr. Hitchcock having been one of the city's best-known and most faithful and conscientious civic workers for many years. He is a Past President of the Jaycees, and last year was awarded the most distinguished citizen award.

Games Enjoyed.

W. P. Abernathy, also a Past President of the Jaycees and the recipient of the first distinguished citizen award, acted as Master of Ceremonies in an able and pleasing manner. He introduced R. L. (Bob) Elliott, Boy Scout Field Executive, who conducted a stunt program, in which several took part, providing meriment and amusement to the large attendance.

Mr. Abernathy conducted an interesting quiz program, conducted in radio style, with five men and five ladies participating, in which questions concerning McKinney and Collin County were asked. Mrs. M. S. Minton and Mrs. Jack Warden were declared the winners.

After expressing his appreciation for the large turnout, President Doyle brought the interesting program to a close.

Committee.

The McKinney Floral Committee provided an abundance of flowers to decorate the dining room, while Benjamin Smith of Smith's Drug furnished favors for the ladies.

During the banquet, music was provided by W. C. Dowdy, Jr., Miss Sue McCoy and Tommy Carr.

Committees having charge of the interesting program were: Program—V. C. Hitchcock, Chairman; W. P. Abernathy, and Earl Walker.

Tickets—L. D. Robinson, Chairman; Percy Jones, and Jack Warden.

Decorations—G. D. Ledbetter, Lee Sutherland and Virgil Hines. Recipients of outstanding citizenship awards in past years in McKinney have been: W. P. Abernathy, Leo Spillman, Jack Warden, Earl Walker, Choice McClure, Jim Cantrell and V. C. Hitchcock.

Past President of the Jaycees are: the late Marion Bozeman, first President of the organization; Leo Spillman, W. P. Abernathy, J. Lovejoy Comegys, Don W. Bagwell, Earl Walker, Jack Warden, Wilkins Comegys, Guy Walden, L. D. Robinson, V. C. Hitchcock, Dr. M. S. Minton, Ramsey Harris, Bill Thompson, and Bill Finney.

Collin County Presbyterian Council Meets

The Collin County Presbyterian Council held its quarterly all-day meeting Tuesday, January 28, at the Central Presbyterian Church of McKinney, Rev. C. E. Dodge, as Pastor host, presided over the morning session. Mrs. Dodge was at the organ and gave the prelude which was followed by a hymn.

Rev. Cletus Pippin of Prosper brought the devotional. At 11:30 a sermon was delivered by Rev. Charles Dickey of Paris, who used as his subject, "The Church Has The Answer." His message was timely and impressed his congregation with the duty of the church in this time of world chaos.

A part of the McKinney Church especially enjoyed hearing Rev. Dickey, as they knew him when he was a mere baby at the time his father, Dr. Chas. L. Dickey, now deceased, was Pastor of this congregation. They have a tender place in their hearts for Charles and a deal of pride in the successful work that he is doing.

At the noon hour a splendid dinner was served in the dining room of the church. About 90 people were seated at the tables. Mrs. C. H. Blewett, as President of the Auxiliary, was in charge. Others who assisted were Mesdames Alice Johnston, Cunningham, Proctor, Holder, Larson, Bowen and Garrison.

Mrs. J. Frank Harrington, President of the Council, presided at the afternoon session. Mrs. Geo. Mercer of Dallas, gave a beautiful devotional. Prof. J. Y. Gates of the McKinney High School faculty delivered an address on Greece and her people. He spent two years in war-torn country, where he both studied and taught, hence was well prepared to handle his subject. He possesses a large fund of historical knowledge that greatly enriched his talk, which was so gladly received and enjoyed by his hearers.

A duet by Mesdames Robinson and Flannery, accompanied by Mrs. Tom Short, all of the Celina Church, was beautiful. An offering was taken and Rev. J. B. Berry led in prayer.

A short business session followed. The minutes were read by Mrs. W. C. Dowdy.

The Walnut Grove Young People's Encampment was discussed. The choir appointed the following committee to plan the menu for the encampment: Mrs. J. E. Smith, Chairman; Mrs. Joe Leigh, both of Walnut Grove, and Mrs. Gray of Corinth.

A nominating committee consisting of Mrs. Rike, Farmersville; Mrs. Allen, Plano, and Mrs. Will J. Rhea, McKinney.

After singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," Chas. E. Bealand of Prosper, pronounced the benediction and the council adjourned to meet at Walnut Grove in April.

Thus closed one of the very best meetings the council has ever had.

Excerpts from Mr. Gates' Address.

History teaches us anything it teaches that the intangible things so often tip the scales and win battles over superior numbers and better arms.

"The Greeks are a sturdy race, well prepared for the hardships of war as a result of plain frugal living. With them bread is the staff of life, and if they have a little goat cheese, and beans, they are satisfied. Many of them wear shorts the year round. So fighting in the snows of Albania mean little to them. They love their country, their homes, their families, and their freedom. Perhaps it was these intangible things that helped them to defeat invasion by hordes of well armed men."

"What ever may be the final outcome, the glory of the victors already won will never die."

SELECTEE IS ENTERTAINED.

Miss Norma Kennedy entertained at her home, 111 South Benge, Monday night for George Sullivan, Jr., who volunteered for the U. S. Army, leaving Tuesday morning with the January selectees. Games were played during the evening, after which the hostess served coffee and cake to the following guests:

Mr. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Arlis Tarnish, Betty and Evelyn Kuykendall, Louise Herndon, Rosellen Strickland, Kenneth Blankenship, Leon Ursey, Wayne Norman, Jack Cape, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sullivan, Sr., and Mrs. Jewel Kennedy.

Asher Mintz of Dallas, Recorder of Heila Temple (Shrine) was a pleasant visitor of this Editor Tuesday. Mr. Mintz has many friends in McKinney who are always glad to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Chapman and little son, Johnny, are in McKinney for a few weeks' stay. Mr. Chapman is auditor for the T. P. & L. Mrs. Chapman is the former Miss Lula Lee Scott.

Jackie and Jimmie Woods, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Woods, are convalescing following a tonsil operation. Jackie was quite a few days but is doing nicely now. This is indeed good news to their many friends.

W. F. Benton, 80, Dies At Home Of Son In McKinney

W. F. Benton, age 80 years, 3 months, and 5 days, died at the home of his son, W. M. Benton, 410 West Virginia Street, Sunday, Feb. 2, at 12:30 p. m., following an illness of one day. The deceased suffered a heart attack.

He was the father of three prominent and well-known McKinney and Collin County men: W. M. Benton, of this city; Capt. J. A. Benton, Floridian Representative, who lives at Wylie, but who is now in Austin for the legislative term, and J. O. Benton, also of McKinney.

Mr. Benton had been a resident of Texas 73 years, and had lived in McKinney three years. He was born Nov. 27, 1860, in Tennessee.

One sister and two brothers survive, besides the three sons: Mrs. Alice Wells, Ivanhoe, Texas; Tom Benton, California; John Wells, Oklahoma.

Seven grandchildren also survive.

The deceased was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and one sister.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at Forest Grove, with Rev. A. H. Snider in charge. Interment was made in the Forest Grove Cemetery, the Crouch Funeral Home directing.

Palbearers were: H. C. Miller, Johnnie Snapp, Joe Anderson, Don O. Davis, George Forsyth, and Leo Crockett.

97-Year-Old Van Alstyne Man Enjoys Birthday

"It was his most exciting birthday in all his 97 years," exclaimed Mr. Orion Hopkins, daughter of N. M. Davis, as Mr. Davis related after a pleasant day of meeting and talking with friends of Van Alstyne and out-of-town. He received cards, letters, telegrams and flowers from as far as New York City, North Carolina, South Carolina and Louisiana.

Mr. Davis was especially happy over the messages he received from various Masonic bodies of which order he has been a member 65 years. He had often visited St. John's Masonic Lodge in this city.

Moving pictures in color were made of Mr. Davis and the crowd in natural everyday life, unposed, by Richard McLarry, a relative of Dallas. Mr. Davis told the crowd of his war experiences and of his narrow escapes, but the most interesting part of the day to those slightly hungry was that big turkey dinner and all the trimmings. Mr. Davis was so eager to celebrate his birthday in the right way that he arose at 4 a. m. and stayed up until 3 p. m. Bedfast for the past year, Mr. Davis sat up all day during the celebration.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Will Pierce and Sewell McKinney of Sherman; Mr. and Mrs. John Yantis, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McLarry and Richard H. McLarry and daughter Ann of Dallas; Mrs. Gladys Sherida of Plano; Mr. and Mrs. E. Davis of Monroe, La.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hopkins of Beaumont, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Davis of Waco.

Van Alstyne guests calling included Rev. and Mrs. Frank Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Lee McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kitching, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Vesayze, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John Drye, Mrs. Hardin Kepler, Mrs. P. P. Henderson, Mrs. Bob Marsh, Mrs. Luther Stirling, Mrs. J. T. Sheridan, Mrs. J. M. Neathery, Mrs. Howard Hartley, Miss Nannie Cave, O. A. Stout, L. L. Sanford, I. H. Mount, S. Strickland, Cecil Bradshaw, Britain Hulse, Conrad Schweighofer, Perry Hunter, J. M. McLemore, Dr. Foy McCormack.

NEVADA SOCIETY HOLDS MEETING.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Nevada met in a social meeting Monday afternoon, January 20, at the home of Mrs. Mary Evans, with Mesdames P. D. Davis and John LaRue as co-hostesses. Interesting articles taken from "The Methodist Woman" were given by Mesdames Earl Fish, Jim Evans and Mae Evans.

At the close of the program a shower of gifts was presented to Mrs. Jim Evans who is moving to her new home in Lubbock, Texas.

A delicious refreshment plate was served to the guests in the dining room, where Misses Clara Curtis and Christine Evans assisted the hostesses.

Mesdames Price Carr, Mae Finley, Lilly Hager and Miss Mary McDonald attended the spring style show at Fair Park Auditorium in Dallas Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Harper have moved to McKinney from Weston. Roy Dickerson of Chambersville has located in McKinney, Alvin Sexton of Weston, has gone to Mineral Wells to work.

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Editorial Expression

Silence is a true friend who never betrays.—Confucius.

Contribute with your dime to the infantile paralysis campaign.

Troubles, like babies, grow larger by nursing.—Lady Holland.

A war made peace is only an extended Armistice.—Farmersville Times.

Texas ships 90 percent of the Bermuda onions raised in the United States. The seed cost \$1.50 a pound.

Fourteen Collin County young men will be called in the next group of selectees, scheduled February 7. Up to this time all selectees leaving this county have been volunteers.

By this time a man ought to have a pretty good idea whether he is going to live up to his New Year resolutions.—Tyler Telegraph.

"Italian people are informed the army in Africa is still intact." Well, they're all in one place, if that's what is meant—all in British concentration camps.—Shreveport Journal.

The British have a new warplane called the Tornado. And the British firmly hope that it will prove an ill wind which will blow somebody plenty of no good.—Hot Springs New Era.

But verily God hath heard me; He hath attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor His mercy from me.—Psalms 66, 19-20.

It's easy to be enthusiastic under press of excitement. But the enthusiasm which counts is that which drives us on when no one is watching, that stretches over weeks, months, and years. Real enthusiasm is not an outward show, but an internal flame.

Since the days of the Revolutionary War a grist mill in Denton, Md., has been grinding out flour for persons in the vicinity. It is now in its two hundred seventieth year. The mill is unchanged from the early colonial days, when Maj. Nathaniel Potter is supposed to have gone there to buy ground corn meal for Washington's troops at Valley Forge.

New homes continue to go up in McKinney. Others are being improved, repaired and repainted. Business men continue to improve their places of business. Now that Spring is just around the corner, if your premises need improving, why not resolve to get that important work started soon? Let's all unite in making McKinney a more attractive place during the year.

Sept. 23, 24, 25, and 26 are dates for the annual Collin County Free Fair, to be held in McKinney. Now is the time to begin preparing for that event, so that when the county-wide exposition begins, you will have some of the finest exhibits in history. Remember, it's your fair and you should do your part in making it a success. The Collin County Free Fair holds the reputation of being one of the outstanding free county fairs in Texas.

A collection of more than 250,000 North American beetles has been bequeathed to Harvard University by Dr. Henry C. Fall of Tyngsboro. Dr. Fall, a teacher of Physics and Chemistry, assembled the specimens as an avocation during 60 years of intensive work. There are two North American series each containing about 100,000 specimens, a collection of 50,000 beetles introduced from foreign countries and a few thousand butterflies and moths.

U. S. BOMBERS SET NEW SPEED RECORDS.

Bombers made by the United States have achieved a breakfast-to-teatime schedule and set a new trans-Atlantic speed record in delivery flights to England, it is reported in London.

The pre-war record for such flights between Newfoundland and the British Isles was set by the Cambrai, Imperial Airways flying boat, in September, 1937, when it flew from Botwood to Foynes, Ireland, in 10 hours, 33 minutes.

"That mark has been broken time and again," says an authoritative aviation source in disclosure of speed achieved in the ferrying. That source, however, would not divulge the new record, nor say who holds it. It is about 2,000 miles from Newfoundland to Britain on the shortest route from North America. Modern bombers, under favorable conditions, could fly that long distance in less than ten hours.

Capt. Pat Eves, of British Airways, who was flying airlines over India before the war, is one of the latest to achieve the breakfast-to-teatime schedule, it is said.

An inventive resident of Kennebago Lake, Me., Stanley Haley, made an unusual vehicle for getting around the countryside covered by deep snow. The machine has runners instead of wheels, a light metal body, and is powered by an automobile engine and a rear propeller. It is capable of traveling 80 miles an hour. Haley uses it principally to get his mail from the nearest Post Office, five miles across the lake, where he is caretaker of a camp. It will transport him over ice or across snow-drifted fields. He has had the vehicle licensed and can use it on state roads if he wants to.

P. O. Loftice, living on Route 4, out of McKinney, again claims the honor this year of securing the first 1941 automobile license number to be issued from County Tax Assessor-Collector Clint Lewis' office. Mr. Loftice has held this honor for several years. He was followed this year by J. W. McClusky of McKinney, who secured the second license plate. F. Brown of Weston secured the third, while J. Q. Davis, N. J. Davis, Mrs. J. E. Davis, all of Nevada, and J. B. Tillerson of Celina, were fourth, fifth sixth and seventh to secure new license plates. Although the plates went on sale February 1, they may not be placed on cars until March 1, officials have announced. Car owners have all of February and March to secure their 1941 car numbers.

William S. Knudsen reports that some 60 per cent of 799 military planes produced in the United States last month were combat craft, the remainder being trainers. That seems, to us, a fairly good start on this nation's armament program in the aircraft industry and it will be welcome news to all Americans that the number is steadily growing each month. From the Director General's report, it is indicated that upward of 480 fighting planes were produced. An undisclosed number of those went to Great Britain. Mr. Knudsen also told a press conference the new scheme of manufacturing large bombers from parts large fabricated in automobile plants would begin to show something by the last part of the year. He said of four new assembly plants already allocated, the one at Kansas City probably would be the first in operation, followed in order by those at Omaha, Fort Worth, and Tulsa.

ENTIRE ARMY CALLED TO CAMP BY JUNE 1.

Robert P. Patterson, Under-Secretary of War, has stated that the entire American Army, consisting of 1,418,097 enlisted men, will be in camp by June 1.

Each man, moreover, will have all his personal equipment, and every soldier will be fully housed. The army will have obtained sufficient weapons for basic training by then.

The Under-Secretary predicted that, perhaps by the end of 1941, production of weapons will have accelerated to the point where the American Army will be full equipped "in the main" and capable of taking the field as a fighting force.

When the army assembles this summer, Mr. Patterson said, there will be no shortage of uniforms, shoes, blankets, and similar items; neither will there be any lack of basic weapons, such as rifles, pistols, 30-caliber machine-guns, and other types of artillery.

There will be enough mortars, heavier machine-guns, tanks, and other types of artillery for training purposes. What will be most lacking will be aircraft, and army orders on planes are being delayed while orders for Britain are being completed and shipped.

HAVE FAITH IN AMERICA.

To those whose faith in democracy may be wavering, to those who may be asking themselves whether our form of government is the best after all, the words of President Roosevelt's third inaugural message at Washington recently should come not only as an answer to their doubts, but as a challenge to their spirit.

"To protect and to perpetuate the integrity of democracy," said the President, "we must the spirit of America, the faith of America. We do not retreat. We are not content to stand still. We go forward in the service of our country, by the will of God."

This is the answer of our Chief Executive to those who believe that "tyranny and slavery have become the surging wave of the future, and that freedom is an ebbing tide." And he challenged our utmost in support of his policies when he declared:

"The preservation of the spirit and faith of the nation does and will furnish the highest justification for every sacrifice that we may make in the cause of national defense."

The President used strong words, stanch words, as he summoned all Americans to have the same unflinching faith that he has in the future of American democracy. We shall do well to have the same vision, the same hope, the same trust in these days designed to try men's souls.—Exchange.

STRATEGY IN AFRICA.

The tactical success of the raid of the Free French army on Southern Italian Libya may not be of itself important, but the strategic conception involved in the whole African front is as interesting to the outsider as it must be depressing to the Italian High Command, says the Dallas News. This is concerned, of course, not alone with what is happening to Graziani's forces in Libya, assuming these are still under the veteran Marshal's direction, but what is happening on the front in Italian East Africa.

In both regions, the now attacking British troops are not relying on a single front operation, but are exerting pressure from several angles. In East Africa, the Italians must cope not only with the drive from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, but with forces moving northward from Kenya. Surprisingly enough there has been no indication of simultaneous use of the fleet, which could be very helpful on the Eritrean Coast. It may be deduced from this that Britain cannot spare for what is essentially a minor operation parts of the fleets which must watch the British Isles, the Mediterranean and the Far East.

With DeGaulle's men striking from the South, Graziani also has to face fighting on two fronts when apparently he is not well equipped to fight on one. But the dash of the French operation in the South is matched by the grave risks run. The Free French army will be heading North through a country not particularly equipped to supply it. It is too far from its base for a simple problem in supply to be presented. The timing of the operation may in consequence be an indication that General Wavel thinks his whole African Campaign can be brought to a reasonably quick conclusion, unless, of course, the French raid has been a strictly independent movement, possibly a morale builder for the free forces.

In any event, there is little indication of uplift in morale for Graziani's territorials. Those luckless soldiers might echo Bartholomew Dowling's glib ballad: "Cut off from the land that bore us, betrayed by the land we find."

Allen Church Is
Host To Monthly
Worker's Meeting

Dr. J. Frank Weedon, of the First Baptist Church, Denton, delivered the principal address at the all-day meeting of the Collin County Baptist Workers' Conference, held in the Allen Baptist Church Monday, February 3.

Rev. Milton Greer, Pastor of that church, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Doyle Stacy had charge of the music.

The program opened with a song service at 10 o'clock.

The dedicatory was given by Rev. Leslie Davis. Rev. W. P. Carter discussed "Results of Sabbath Desecration," followed by a discussion of "The Layman and the Revival," by Jesse Burton. Dr. Weedon delivered his sermon just before the noon hour.

Lunch and Fellowship Hour was enjoyed at noon, with Allen acting as host church.

The afternoon session of the Conference was devoted to business, the Executive Board and the W. M. U. Board meeting at 1:30 o'clock.

A brief song service was held when the Conference groups reassembled. Rev. J. R. Higgins delivered a sermon just before the close of the conference. Many of the half hundred more Baptist churches of Collin County, including McKinney's three Baptist Churches, were represented at the all-day meeting.

Club Girl Makes
Clothes Closet
More Serviceable

With a little work, Modene Tillerson, Clothing Demonstrator of the All-A-H Club, will have a clothes closet that will be much more usable than the way it is now.

She will add a large shelf in the top, on which she will store bedding. Several small shelves will be added on two sides of the closet to give added storage space.

Modene is now starting to keep clothing accounts, and in order to do it systematically, she has first taken an inventory of what she has. In this inventory, she now has. In this inventory, she has begun to plan her purchases for the year. When she buys a garment or the material for one, she will keep an accurate check on its cost, date purchased, brand and the wearing quality. This enables her to buy more intelligently, and at the close of the year, she will know the exact amount she has spent on her wardrobe.

COMMITTEES FOR
CELINA HOME CLUB.

The Celina Home Demonstration Club in a meeting with Mrs. Lee Terry Wednesday studied new yearbooks and heard the following committees announced.

Council delegates, Mrs. Tom Phelps and Mrs. Ed Clark; social, Mrs. Jim King, Mrs. Claude Davall, Mrs. Claude Howell and Mrs. Phelps; recreation, Mrs. Ed Stone, Mrs. J. V. Greer, Mrs. Edie Clark and Mrs. Ross Atkins; sunshine, Mrs. J. W. Ownsby; Mrs. T. T. Doggett, Mrs. Martha Campbell and Mrs. J. E. Snodgrass; finance, Mrs. Lee Terry; Mrs. Lee Laney, Mrs. Maynard Atkins and Mrs. Lonnie Wright; exhibit, Mrs. Terry and club officers.

New members were Mrs. Shelton Wright and Gwyneth Brewer.

Enrollment At
N. T. S. T. C. Is
2,730 Pupils

At noon Wednesday a total of 2,730 students had enrolled for the spring semester at the North Texas State Teachers College, of Denton, an increase of 830 over registration figures for the same date in 1940. Only 1,900 students were registered on the third day of the Spring semester last year, according to reports from the registrar's office. Teachers College classes for the Spring semester began Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock after enrollment Monday and Tuesday. Examinations were completed Friday.

Total enrollment for the first week of the Spring Semester in 1940 was 2,185, records show.

FORM PARENT GROUP
AT CHAMBERSVILLE.

A Parent-Teacher association has been organized for the Chambersville school, with the following officers:

Mrs. Harold Frazier, President; Mrs. Woodie Herron, Mrs. J. R. Frisby, Mrs. Bailey Hunter and Mrs. Lawrence Billings, Vice Presidents; Mrs. Clifford Robinson, Secretary; Mrs. Morris Drury, Treasurer, and Mrs. Charles Nixon, Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bowman of Plano are having a new home built.

Northeast Collin
Garden Project
Is Discussed

The Celina Chamber of Commerce, in a meeting this week, heard Superintendent Travis Hammer of the All-A-School discuss the new set-up for WPA garden projects to be operated in conjunction with hot lunch rooms.

The body agreed to pay rent on a building for use in canning products if the gardens are obtained. Schools participating would be Celina, Prosper, Melissa, Alla and Weston. Mr. Hammer and Herbert Parish were selected as a committee to make arrangements for the building.

G. V. Bray, Tom O'Dell and Woodrow Kinde were selected to locate a new Celina trade lot for farmers and others to use on trades days, the third Monday of each month.

It was also voted to pay the electric bill for having a large bulb to burn all night on top of the tower on the square.

Death Calls Mrs.
Maude Browning
At Melissa Home

Mrs. Maude Browning, 62, died at her home at Melissa Tuesday morning, February 4, at 5:15 o'clock, following an illness of several months. Mrs. Browning was the wife of Wm. D. Browning, who survives.

Born Dec. 3, 1878, at Stony Point, in Collin County, the deceased was a lifelong resident of this state and county, and had resided at Melissa the past twenty years. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wallis. Her mother survives.

The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church at Melissa, where funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the following ministers conducting: Rev. John Hilger, Rev. Bernard Franklin, and Rev. Carter. Burial followed in the Melissa Cemetery.

Palbearers were: Charlie Tom Airhart, Clyde Wallis, Wilbur Wallis, C. E. Nichols, Wayne Nichols, J. D. Browning, who are all nephews of the deceased.

The Crouch Funeral Home had charge of funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Browning is survived by the following children: Edwin Lee, Melissa; Mrs. Clara Alexander, Valdesta; Homer E. Wallis, foster son at home. Surviving brothers and sisters are: Holmes W. Wallis, Melissa; Homer E. Wallis, Terrell; Claude Wallis, White Rock; Clyde Wallis, Celina; W. R. Wallis, Melissa; Mrs. W. H. Airhart, Blue Ridge; Mrs. C. E. Nichols, Van Alstyne; Mrs. Beulah Hogue, Parker. Two grandchildren also survive. She was preceded in death by three sisters and two brothers.

O. L. Cantrell Is
Good Friend Of
These Papers

O. L. (Oscar) Cantrell was here on "First Monday." Shook his friendly hand. Known and liked this fine man for many years. He is the father of District Clerk Jimmy Cantrell, a real fellow, who is making a 100 per cent official.

Oscar Cantrell lived in McKinney for quite awhile, being engaged in the grocery business. He is a sure-enough farmer by occupation, owning a fine farm on Route 3, containing more than three hundred acres. It's highly improved.

Oscar invited this Editor—for a quarter of a century a personal friend—to come out and see him on his fine farm. Going some of these days. No finer man ever trod shoe leather than Oscar Cantrell. It's a real privilege to have the friendship of this good man. In the future Oscar will read the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Make your visits more often, friend Oscar.

McKinney Man Is
Slightly Hurt In
Rocky Ford, Colo.

A radio report stating that Jack Griffin, former McKinney man, was shot and injured by a negro in Rocky Ford, Colorado, was verified Tuesday by Mrs. Lizzie Griffin, his mother, who resides on North Church Street. Mr. Griffin was only slightly injured, his mother stated.

The shooting occurred when the negro came in and sat with Griffin and two other white companions in a cafe. According to reports, Mr. Griffin and his friends refused to eat with the negro, who allegedly returned to the cafe a short time later with a gun, shot Mr. Griffin and fled. Officers arrested the negro, confining him to a jail in a nearby town. Mr. Griffin sustained a flesh wound in the leg, but was able to work Monday morning, following the shooting.

The injured man is well-known in McKinney and Collin County. He is an onion buyer in Colorado.

25 YEARS AGO IN
MCKINNEYFROM THE FILES OF THE
DAILY COURIER-GAZETTE

(January 29, 1916.)

E. E. Biggerstaff of this city will leave Sunday for Ringling, Oklahoma, on a business trip. He has been living in McKinney for the past several months.

Rev. A. D. Rice will speak at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. He has spent sixteen years in China, and is thoroughly familiar with the eastern problems.

At their home, in Farmersville, recently, Mr. and Mrs. Ben King celebrated their fifty-second wedding anniversary. Mr. King was twenty-one years old when he married.

George Tebow of Sherman passed through McKinney this morning en route to Dallas on business. Mr. Tebow supervised the erection of the big concrete bins at the Collin County Mill & Elevator plant here.

Mrs. W. W. Turner, aged about 70 years, a resident of the Dublin community for many years, died at her home in that community, one day this week. Burial was made in the Murphy Cemetery.

Mrs. Carlisle Stiff, wife of W. W. (Bill) Stiff, aged 68 years, 2 months and 12 days, died at the family residence, 203 South Chestnut Street, this morning at 9:00 o'clock. She had been in declining health for the past several months.

(January 31, 1916.)

Price Stiff, one of McKinney's leading grocers, is ill today, not being able to be at his place of business.

John Bomar still continues quite sick at his home on North Coleman Street. He has been sick for the past three or four weeks.

An interesting meeting was held Friday night of the teachers of the First Methodist Church Sunday School. Superintendent H. D. Moulton presided.

The management of the Texas Power & Light Company is shipping to McKinney material for the rewiring of the city. Work will likely begin before the first of April.

County Superintendent W. E. Foster of McKinney calls attention of our readers to a change in the law this year regulating school census enumeration. The ages of the children to be included is now 7 to 18 instead of 7 to 17.

S. T. Hammond has sold his grocery store on East Virginia Street to Wade Biggers and Albert Ragsdale, who have taken charge. Mr. Hammond has been in business here for twenty-five years, twenty in the dry goods business and five in the grocery business.

(February 1, 1916.)

Will Lewis of Allen passed through McKinney Monday en route home from the Panhandle, where he had been on business.

City Secretary Sims Cameron informs this paper that there were \$24 poll taxes paid this year and 18 exemption certificates issued. There were 1,333 city poll taxes assessed, this year.

Lud Crockett, popular Studebaker automobile dealer, arrived home this afternoon from a two weeks' business visit north. His many friends are glad to see him back home.

The Semi-Annual meeting of the County Judges and Commissioners' Association will be held at Waxahatchie, February 10 and 11. Many topics of interest are on for discussion.

Tax Collector H. R. Chaddick's office was packed and jammed all day Monday and until late Monday night, the last day to pay taxes. There were 8,128 poll taxes paid, this year.

Col. E. W. Kirkpatrick, as has been stated in these papers, has left with Secretary C. W. Smith of the Business Men's Association, some of his fine pecans. Any school boy or girl or any other interested person can have them for planting purposes.

The office of Goodner Bros. coal yard, just south of the depot, was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening about 6:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marshall of Weston are the proud parents of a pretty little baby daughter. Mrs. Marshall was formerly Miss Ruby Phelps of McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Junkin are moving this afternoon to Greenville, to make their future home. Mr. Junkin was conductor on the Denton-Dallas interurban for over two years.

Carl Tredey of this city, who conducts a confectionery and cold drink stand on East Louisiana Street, was very glad indeed to learn that the submarine K-5 was found to be safe. Mr. Tredey was a member of the K-5 crew.

Walter, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Goforth, of Lucas, died recently. Interment was made in the Forest Grove Cemetery. The Sam J. Massie undertaking company was in charge.

(February 3, 1916.)

Hon. R. C. Merritt, attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, has returned to his home in this city from Tyler where he has been attending court.

Claude Wilmet of Ballinger, Texas, arrived in McKinney Wednesday night for a few days' stay, during which time he will visit relatives and friends and attend to business.

J. H. Scott, who resides on Route 4, out of McKinney, while in the city Wednesday, attending to business, subscribed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette, for which he will accept our thanks.

Mrs. Sallie Petty and daughter, Miss Theo. of Honey Grove have been visiting Mrs. Helen Bowley in this city for several days. They left yesterday for a visit in Dallas before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim G. Fitzhugh, who moved to California, last July, are en route back to McKinney to make their future home. This will be good news to their many friends in McKinney and Collin County.

There was a partial eclipse of the sun, this morning, the shadow appearing over perhaps a fifth of the sun's surface. The eclipse was visible for a little more than two hours, beginning shortly before 9:00 o'clock.

(February 4, 1916.)

Mrs. E. A. Newsome and W. T. Beverly left this afternoon for San Antonio for a few days' visit to their sister, Mrs. T. L. Mangum.

Walter Holder of Frisco recently returned from a visit to Sentinel, Oklahoma. He is highly pleased with that section of Oklahoma and will move to that place in the near future.

McKinney gets a twelve per cent credit on her insurance rate for the year, 1916. This credit is allowed on the small loss ratio in McKinney during the years, 1913, 1914, and 1915.

Edgar McKinney announces in an advertisement in these papers that on tomorrow, February 5, he will open a new store in the Fox Building on East Virginia Street.

Mrs. H. A. Blanchett and little daughter, Lucile, of Dallas, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Scott, on North Tennessee Street, left for El Paso this morning, which city they are moving.

After many years, it now seems that the McKinney-Greenville and Mineola Branch of the Katy Railroad is going to be put in first class condition. It is contemplated spending a large sum of money on this branch during the next three years.

(February 5, 1916.)

Oliver Christian was in the city today from Chambersville.

W. N. Osburn of Melissa was a business visitor in McKinney this morning.

Mrs. W. B. Dowell and son, Alf, went to Dallas this morning to see "The Birth of a Nation."

Miss Agnes Woodward, who is attending school at Paris, came over Friday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Woodward.

Deputy Tax Assessor John F. Chandler went to Allen, this morning, to interview the taxpayers of that section. Mr. Chandler filled out the unexpired term of his brother, R. S. Chandler, who died in office a few years ago.

A new organization, to be known as the Baptist Intermediate Junior Scouts has been formed in McKinney. The membership will be limited to boys of 12 years of age and over in the Junior and Intermediate Departments of the First Baptist Church. J. T. Couch is scoutmaster.

SURPRISE PARTY IN
NEW HOME AT CELINA.

Mrs. J. J. Umphress was given a surprise birthday party at her new home in Celina. Arrangements were directed by Mrs. Charles Cunningham, Mrs. Herbert Parish, Mrs. H. C. Uthoff, and Charles Estes.

Refreshments were served to 37 guests including Mrs. Virginia Gray of Denton. The honoree received many gifts. Patti Uthoff making the presentation.

St. John's Lodge No. 51 A. F. & A. M., held an enjoyable meeting Tuesday night, when they were visited by District Deputy Olney Carpenter of Plano. Several Collin County lodges were represented at the meeting, at which Mr. Carpenter and other visitors, as well as local members, spoke. The meeting was well attended.

CHAMBERSVILLE
Mrs. A. C. Anderson

Mr. John Cox has a severe case of the flu.

Rev. A. C. Coleman filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and evening.

James Carter of McKinney spent the week-end with Billy Ray Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bourland of Farmersville visited Mr. and Mrs. Bourland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. McGuffey spent Sunday with his mother at Blue Ridge.

Mrs. J. S. Dodson and children of McKinney visited Mrs. J. K. Drury Wednesday afternoon.

Wimpy Dickenson and Raymond Lawson were business visitors in Dallas Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Morgan and J. W. spent Sunday with relatives at Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Reeves of McKinney spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Reeves.

O. F. Vernon of Karo is visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bond and family.

Roy Dickerson has accepted a position with the Rolater Grocery Store in McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ashmore spent Sunday with his mother at Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wallen spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Halcum of Tiooga.

Rev. A. C. Coleman was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Billings Sunday.

Miss Ruby Dickenson is spending the week with relatives at Melissa.

Mr. and Mrs. Dud Swanzey of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Dickerson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cox spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson near Wylie.

Mrs. J. B. Hunter and Mae Beth Thompson spent Friday night in Denton with Claudia Hunter.

Mrs. Luther Tallent and Mrs. Wilbur Robison spent the week-end with their parents Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burnside of Plano.

Mrs. Forrest Arnold is recovering from a severe attack of the flu at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Crawford.

Supt. F. A. Hemphill of the Littlefield school spent the night recently with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardell Chandler and daughter, Bobby Jack, of Higgins visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Frisby Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Nixon and family attended the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Ira Nixon at Weston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Dickerson and son, Roy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dickinson in Dallas recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Stibbens have returned from a visit with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bales, at Durant, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Luther Tallant has been appointed foreman and the helpers are Mrs. Kate Stibbens, Mrs. Tom Jordan, L. G. Dickerson, and Billie Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cox of Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Richardson of McKinney spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Herron and daughter of McKinney and Mrs. Roy Maves and daughter of Weston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Herron.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hughes in company with their guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hughes of Trenton motored to Denison Dam Sunday afternoon.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crawford were: Rev. and Mrs. M. M. McKinnay and Mrs. Grant and baby of Melissa.

Mrs. J. M. Hume and daughter, Mrs. Iva Myrtle, and Mrs. M. K. Drury spent Monday with Mrs. J. A. Hughes of Prosper.

Mrs. Robert Chambers has returned home after sending the week in McKinney attending the bedside of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jettie Craft, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Redden and Mrs. Horace Redden of Dallas visited relatives here over the week-end.

Swedish guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Harris were his mother, Mrs. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Crawford and family of McKinney.

Quite a bit of improvement has been made on the school lunch room. The interior has been painted white, a new rug put down, and a new oil stove has been purchased.

Marvin Johnson has been removed from the McKinney hospital to his home at Alta Hubbard.

Mrs. Trub Burton and Mrs. Tom Jordan have been attending his bedside.

Guests over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bryan were: Mr. and Mrs. Rob Scofield and children of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert White and daughter of McKinney.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Robinson were: Mr. and Mrs. Sport Robison and family of Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Love and son, Billy, of McKinney.

Mrs. O. C. Harris and Mrs. Bud Moses were visitors in Van Alstyne last week. Mrs. Moses, George, is taking treatment from a doctor there for a leg injury which he received while playing at school.

Several of the farmers in our community have purchased new tractors: Amos Little, W. T. Hillman, Roy George, Tom Gooch, Mrs. John Chandler, and W. H. Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Frazier and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Riffe of Farmersville, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Nixon of Blue Ridge and Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Frazier of Plainview visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frazier and little daughter, Betty.

WESTON
Miss Mary Dotson

Charlie Lee spent Friday night in Celina with Joyce Craven.

Vance Blackman received facial injuries Wednesday.

Doyle Cave is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Mary Bryan, at Plano.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cassady attended the inaugural ceremony at Austin Tuesday.

Londa Gale Spain, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Spain, is reported ill.

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Anderson of Wylie visited Mr. and Mrs. John Willis last Sunday.

Miss Ruth Fifer of San Antonio is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fifer.

Miss Mamie McWhirter is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cunningham of McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Robinson of Celina visited Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Choate Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Harshel Flannery of Lone Star visited Mrs. Milton Berry Saturday night.

Mrs. J. E. Frair has gone to Coleman, Okla., to visit her father, Louis Lawson, age 87, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mann and children of Sherman visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Morris Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Huff were in Fort Worth this week-end visiting his mother, Mrs. Ila Raper, who is ill.

Edwin Luscomb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Luscomb, has enrolled in Denton Teachers College for the coming semester.

Gilliam Hobson has accepted a job with a Dallas bakery. He and Mrs. Hobson have been employed on the Ray Skillern farm near Dallas.

Mrs. J. Lee Howell was hostess for an all day quilting Wednesday at her home assisted by the women's missionary union of the Baptist church.

Mrs. Haskell Stubblefield of Irving is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson while she is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Button and family included Mr. and Mrs. Gardell Chandler and daughter, Bobby, of Higgins, Miss Jim Frair of Denton, and Wilma Frair of Alila.

Mrs. Minnie Burch went to Brownwood this week to attend funeral services for her aunt, Mrs. Sally Carruth. Alex Carruth, Alex Carruth the late husband of the deceased woman, was a cousin of Mrs. B. A. Comer and C. C. Carruth, of Weston.

Mrs. Ross Chandler and Mrs. H. E. Button attended funeral services at Savoy Saturday for Jo Ann Baker, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Baker. The Rev. E. J. Hollifield conducted the services at the home of the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bibb. The baby was born at a Denison hospital Wednesday and died Friday. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Baker of Savoy but formerly of Weston are the paternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spain have taken rooms at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Chandler. Mr. and Mrs. James Hunsinger are to move to the J. G. Huff rent house. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Parrish and R. Parrish have moved from McKinney back to the Parrish house where the Spain and Hunsinger families have been living. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. England have moved from the home of Mrs. Huff Temple to the J. G. Huff home.

Mrs. Rufus Furr arrived home Wednesday evening from Carrollton, Missouri, where she has been attending the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Grover C. Moritz, the past ten days. Mrs. Moritz is much improved, says Mrs. Furr. Mrs. Moritz has had pneumonia. Mrs. Furr says there was a deep snow on the ground the entire time she was in Missouri, and that she is glad to be back in Texas. Mrs. Furr and Mrs. John E. Wilson of this city. Mrs. Otis Nelson of McKinney is also a daughter of Mrs. Wilson.

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J. C. Welborn has returned from South Texas with a truck load of cabbage plants to set out on his farm. Mr. Welborn is a very prosperous truck farmer, running about 135 acres in vegetables of all kinds, which he trucks to Dallas and other places.

Mrs. Lee Combs was given a bridal shower Jan. 7 by her friends at the home of Mrs. M. K. Drury. Many lovely gifts were received. Refreshments were served to about 50 guests. Mr. and Mrs. Combs have moved to their new home near McKinney. Mrs. Combs is the former Nathalia Hume, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hume.

Mrs. J. L. Moll of Dallas and Clifford Moll of Houston spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Billings. Mrs. Moll and sister, Miss Ruby Ivy, recently moved to Dallas. They moved into the new brick duplex which Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rivers have just completed. These fine ladies will be greatly missed from our community where their friends are numbered by their acquaintances.

Miss Helen Dunlap met with the school girls Tuesday and organized a 4-H Club. Mrs. Harold Frazier and Mrs. B. C. Thompson were elected sponsors; Miss Dorothy Ray Stephens, President; Frances Lee Covington, Vice President; Dorothy Curry, Secretary; Ina Jean Bonds, song leader; Geraldine Welborn, game leader; Doris Nell Johnson, reporter. The next meeting will be Feb. 11. The regular meeting days are the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Miss Dunlap will meet with the club every fourth Tuesday. There are about 40 members.

BURROW
By Mrs. W. W. Wright

Jack Gray Davis was a Greenville visitor Friday.

Mrs. W. W. Wright is recovering from an attack of flu.

Edwin Shook of Royse has been visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Douglas.

Mrs. Dennis Williams spent Friday with Mrs. Lester Williams.

Mrs. B. H. Huguley was a Greenville visitor Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Vera Swindall of Fate has been visiting her father and sisters.

Mrs. Dennis Payne visited Mrs. W. W. Wright Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Douglas were Greenville visitors Saturday.

Harold, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wright, will receive his B. S. degree in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Pennington and sons have returned from a visit with relatives in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Newman of Caddo Mills have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard White.

Carl Handley of Dallas spent Monday with his sister, Mrs. W. W. Wright, and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Niel Pennington and sons, Bobby Niel and Danny, visited Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Huguley Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Anderson and little daughter, Betty Sue and Anna Lee, have been quite ill from flu.

Miss Leona Mae Crowell is spending her mid-term holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Crowell.

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College students home for the mid-term holidays are Billy Don Neeland, A. M. College, Arkansas; Harold and Alvis Coleman, Wilmot Wright and Misses Leona Mae Crowell and Iva Anderson, ETSTC, Commerce.

Harold Coleman and Wilmot Wright who have been students at ETSTC in Commerce have just recently finished a government C. A. A. course, offered in aeronautics. They took the course at college where they have been students and passed their final examinations, receiving their pilot's license.

FREE GRASS
Mrs. Etta Rice, corr.

Mance Rice of Oklahoma spent a few days with R. D. Rice.

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IMPROVEMENTS AT CHAMBERSVILLE

Improvement made at the Chambersville school luncheon recently include a paint job and a new linoleum floor covering. A new oil stove has been purchased. Mrs. Luther Tallant has been appointed foreman with Mrs. Kate Stibbens, Mrs. Tom Jordan, L. G. Dickerson and Billie Crawford as assistants.

George N. Moore, of Valdosta, orders the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to him, and also orders another subscription for his wife, who is in Bryan. Mrs. Moore is staying there with their son who is attending school. Mr. Moore is managing the grocery business of his father, the late J. M. Moore at Valdosta, at the present time. However, he is advertising the business for sale, including the building, fixtures and stock.

PIKE
By Mrs. A. R. McMurray

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Manning and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Braddy went to Leonard this morning to meet the train bringing the body of Vivian McBride, Mrs. Manning's brother, who will be interred in the Leonard Cemetery tomorrow.

Mrs. Clara Herndon Goodman celebrated her 92nd birthday in Electra Thursday where she makes her home with her sons, Eugene and Will. About 60 years ago she and her late husband, W. Jack Goodman settled on their farm west of Pike. One son, Alonzo, died later of typhoid fever. He and the father lie in the Pike cemetery. Five sons, R. P., R. E., J. W., Oscar, and Walter; one daughter, Mrs. Myrt Edwards; also two step-sons Andrew and Gus are living.

Miss Loretta McGuffey, daughter of Mrs. M. V. McGuffey and L. V. Barnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Barnett, who were recently married are living in Dallas, where the groom has employment. The bride's people, McGuffey's and Davis, and the groom, who is a great grandson of J. A. and Susan Johnson Barnett are all prominent Collin County families.

L. T. McGuffey, son of John and Ollie McGuffey, and Miss Compton of Celeste were also recently married and are at present living with his father, with whom he is associated in business. The groom is a grandson of Mrs. Hettie Jeffcoat McGuffey and of Joe and Nannie Welles Franklin, deceased, all our best pioneer families.

Miss Nell Hazel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hazel of Prairie Hill and Louis Trusty, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Trusty, of Nobility, who were married, Jan. 32, are residing in Denton. The Hazels and Trustys are former Pike citizens who still have many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harber Thomas and little Joanna of Ardmore, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Deament of Farmersville, Mrs. Aubrey Kent of Blue Ridge spent Tuesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Webb.

G. W. Curtis and sister, Mrs. W. A. Sims, were in McKinney Monday.

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By Mrs. A. W. Hinsley

There was no Sunday school Sunday on account of bad weather.

Mrs. Ernest Massey, Mrs. Lawrence Ackert of Fort Worth spent Tuesday and Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hinsley and John McCamie and other relatives.

Mrs. J. A. Lindsey is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Nat Commons near Culleoka who has been in the City hospital. Her friends are glad she is better.

Mrs. Mattie Cain visited Mrs. Willie Shields Monday afternoon who has been ill of flu.

Miss Lottie Williams spent Thursday with Mrs. John Holloman near McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hinsley and daughter, Mrs. Ernest Massey of Fort Worth spent Wednesday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Melvin Gant and family of Blythe Chapel.

Charlie Grogans is ill. His friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Mrs. David Weeks and Mrs. James Long of McKinney.

Rev. L. M. Nichols of Allen was visiting here Monday afternoon. Third Sunday is our church day and everyone is invited.

Mrs. J. A. Brimer and son, Alger visited Charlie Grogan who is sick Friday afternoon. Several here are sick with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hinsley, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gant and children of Blythe Chapel spent Friday and Saturday with their daughter, sister and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Massey of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Austin Lafollette and boys Ralph and Basil Ed spent Sunday with her parents in McKinney.

Miss Alice Harris and daughters Miss Fannie and Mrs. Gabe Kirby spent Sunday with John McCamie and Miss Lottie Williams.

COTTAGE HILL
By Mrs. J. B. Tucker, Cor.

Elmer G. Phillips left Wednesday, Jan. 29, for the naval base at San Diego, California. He has enlisted in the U. S. Navy.

Last week's guest of Mr. and Mrs. Volney Hickman and family were Mrs. Homer Holcomb and Miss Mary Charles Caples of Sherman, sisters of Mrs. Hickman.

Mrs. James Nichols and daughter, Janice Faye and Betty Lowrey spent Friday night with J. B. Tucker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shields and children spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harris.

Mrs. Lee of Friona, Texas, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Darnall.

Mr. and Mrs. Coyt Marks spent last week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Marks, of Bethel.

John Wilmoth, who resides on Green Street, is showing some improvement at the City Hospital where he has been a patient since Wednesday evening, receiving treatment for severe burns. The Wilmoth, with two fellow workmen, was burned when some gasoline exploded. The others, Homer Grubbs and Eugene Hill, were treated and released from the hospital the evening of the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stewart and son, James, spent the week-end in Dallas.

NEVADA
By Mrs. W. T. McCain

Mrs. Willy Inman was called to Saltito to the bedside of her mother, who is ill.

The children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren honored their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Kirsey, Sunday with anniversary birthday dinner. All came with covered dishes, each giving Mrs. Kirsey a birthday gift. It was a great day for the honoree. All the children were present, but one son, Dewey Kirsey, and family, who live in Stanton, Texas.

Rev. Silvers of Lone Oak, former pastor of the Methodist Church of Nevada, was a welcome visitor in our city Thursday.

Mrs. Parker, the Methodist pastor's wife, has been receiving treatment at Greenville for an infected eye.

Rev. Baldwin, pastor of the Baptist Church, is teaching at the Baptist Church this week. Good attendance is present each afternoon.

Mrs. M. E. Evans attended the show, "Gone With The Wind," in Dallas Friday.

Mrs. C. F. Bryant who is a patient in St. Paul's Hospital, Dallas, is reported as convalescing, which is good news to her many friends.

Mrs. Riley Housewright, of San Marcos, is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. C. F. Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisk have as their guest their daughter from Fort Worth.

Mrs. J. A. Taylor visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Abernathy.

Mr. Blackner, who is working in Mineral Wells, spent the week-end with his family.

Miss Anita Addington of Dallas was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jewel Cogill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Webb spent Sunday in Wylie, guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Atkins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor entertained Saturday with luncheon honoring Mesdames L. T. Blaisdell, Fred Lund and Bobby and Mrs. J. E. Youngblood, sister of the hostess. All the guests were from Dallas.

Mrs. Jim Martin of Josephine visited her sister, Mrs. Bryant Caldwell, this week.

ALLA HUBBARD
By Mrs. C. S. Donah

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kinney and Mrs. Jim Thompson were Dallas visitors Thursday.

Misses Naomi Dennis and Dolores Thompson spent Tuesday night with Miss Billy Miller.

Mrs. V. E. Wester and Mrs. Murph Belch were Thursday visitors of Mrs. Jim Thompson.

Misses Naomi and Willie Mae Dennis and Miss Billy Miller were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Carey.

Joyce spent the week-end with Velma Lee Kinney.

"42" party was enjoyed by several at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wyson of Prosper were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sola Dennis.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Hammer spent the week-end in Dallas.

Misses Louise Tillerson is at home after attending school in McKinney the first term.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips and Miss Faye Kelley were Celina visitors Sunday.

ROUTH
Doris Lee Randles

Mrs. Odell Press visited Arvin Ingram Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cowan and Mrs. Alvin Duckworth visited Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Duckworth.

Mrs. John Todd visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Todd.

Clarence George visited his parents, Mrs. A. S. George.

Wade Chitty of West Texas has been visiting his sister, Mrs. A. S. George.

J. M. Randles visited O. C. Todd.

Troy Jim Randles of Plano and S. O. Randles of Princeton.

Jim Montgomery had the misfortune of losing a cow from hydrophobia.

The farmers have been busy preparing their land for a crop this year.

Semore Todd and Hershel Press left for training camp at Brownwood.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Duckworth were Mrs. Jess Todd and family; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nevils; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nevils and daughter, Mrs. Susie Nevils of Blue Ridge.

NORTH BLUE RIDGE
Miss Faye Hudson, Cor.

Mrs. Alice Hudson visited her grandson, Leonard Allen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howard and daughter, Patsy have moved to Routh. We regret to lose them.

Mr. and Mrs. Chess Pate and family have moved into the house vacated by Mrs. Howard. We welcome them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Evans and daughter Paula spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Sofrona Evans.

Miss Iva Wilson and Everett Harmon surprised their friends by getting married Saturday night. Miss Wilson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson of Blue Ridge. Mr. Harmon is the son of Mrs. Bessie Harmon also of Blue Ridge. We extend best wishes to the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Haesner and Mrs. Haesner's mother, Mrs. Hattie Ferguson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack White and family.

Uncle Chris Pate is seriously ill at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy of Desert place moved on Wylie Ballou's place. We welcome them.

Mrs. Bud Wilson was honored with a shower recently. She was formerly Miss Juanell Lorraine of Westminster.

McKINNEY POST OFFICE SHOWS BIG GAIN IN JANUARY

Again reflecting the increase in business through the McKinney trade territory, the local Post Office showed a twelve per cent increase in receipts during January of this year over the same month of 1940, according to figures released by Postmaster Don O. Davis Tuesday.

Total receipts for January of this year were \$3,731.66, as compared with \$3,332.49 for January of 1940. This is an increase of \$399.17. The increase compared favorably with the big increase of January, 1940 over January, 1939. The receipts for January, 1939, were \$2,808.32, giving an increase of approximately thirty-five per cent in two years.

Other lines of Post Office business have increased accordingly, says Mr. Davis. Postal Savings deposits now are almost forty per cent greater than they were at the same time, last year, while there has been a noticeable increase in money orders. Total money orders written from July 1, 1940, beginning of the Post Office fiscal year, until January 31 of this year were \$9,635.25 as compared with \$8,515.86 for the corresponding period, July 1, 1939, to January 31, 1940. Money order payments at the local office for July through January were \$10,047.17 as compared with \$9,610.96 for the same period a year before.

The increase in receipts comes from all types of mailing. A general business increase throughout the community is reflected in the Post Office business, which is generally taken as a barometer of conditions.

Miss Doris Kimball of Dallas spent the week-end here with friends.

British Forces Mass Troops For Italian Assault

Gathering strength for an assault on the key concentration of Italian troops in Bengasi, Libya, the British imperial forces Monday hurried an aerial offensive 300 miles farther West, bombing an airbase and railway center South and West of Tripoli, almost to the border of French Tunisia.

The Middle East command said Coastal Benito, fifteen miles South of Tripoli, and Zanzur, on the coast West of Tripoli, were heavily and successfully bombed over the week-end. This air raid marks the greatest Westward push of the British in their African campaign and indicated that conquest of all Italian Libya is the object of Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell's army.

So great is the rout of Italians in East Africa that the Fascists are retreating to the bush and jungle with the British close behind them, British sources said.

Mrs. Sherrill Maple of Chillicothe, Ohio, and Miss Fern Lucy of this city spent Thursday in Dallas. Mrs. Maple is the former Miss Mary Corine Fryer of this city. She is here on a two weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Fryer.

Frank H. Smith of Wylie called and renewed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for his brother W. H. (Buck) Smith. They are sons of the late Col. U. J. Smith, pioneer of Wylie and life-long friend of Senator Mayor Tom W. Perkins. We appreciate their long friendship and patronage of the Smith family than whom there are none better in this world. We would be more pleased if they would make their visits to us more often.

Power Farming Show At James Hardware Store

Truly a "red letter" day was Monday, Feb. 3, for the George W. James Hardware store, according to Mr. James, who says that the crowd attending the McCormick - Deering Farming show at the store at 311 East Louisiana Street, filled the building and overflowed into the street. The throngs of Collin County citizens attending "first Monday" found the show at 2 o'clock very interesting.

The movies had sound accompaniment. After the show, free lunch was served to all tending.

George W. James handles an extensive line of hardware and McCormick-Deering implements. He is well pleased with results of the show.

Spring Begins!
... At Perkins Bros. Co.

Every day we unpack box after box of bright new fashions... come see for yourself the striking things on display!

NEW!

Print Dresses

- Floral
- Figures
- Dots
- Sizes 14 to 42

\$5.95

Mostly tailored styles you can wear anywhere. New pastel color combinations. Styles for misses or matrons.

NEW!

Spring Coats

- Pastel Plaids
- Tweeds
- Navy
- Black

Sport and dressy type coats in just the right weights for all spring wear. Good range of sizes and styles. All nicely tailored. Many of the black and navy coats have white pique collars.

\$7.95

NEW!

Patent Pumps & Ties

\$1.98

Attractive new models in a good range of styles, mostly with open toes and medium heels.

Sport Oxfords

- All white moccasins, crepe soles \$1.98
- Brown and white saddle oxfords with crepe soles \$1.98
- Tan and brown oxfords with leather soles \$1.98
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Conditions In Europe Related By War Reporter

The following story by James A. Byron concerning the recent address of William L. Shirer, former correspondent from Berlin, Germany, in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, will prove interesting to readers of these papers, since Mr. Shirer has been heard by most McKinney and Collin County citizens broadcasting from Berlin on events of the war.

The Star-Telegram says: A mild-mannered, quiet-spoken, bespectacled observer of the European scene spoke for 60 minutes Wednesday night to an audience that packed Paschal High School auditorium. He was applauded just once during his lecture, and his next words stilled this lone demonstration.

William L. Shirer, late of Berlin, admittedly is an advocate of aid to Britain. But primarily he is a reporter, he asserted, with the immediate task of informing listeners on his tour of the United States what the situation is in Europe and primarily in Germany.

This situation as he told it under the sponsorship of the Fort Worth Women's Club is not one to bring cheer to pro-British Americans. His audience, except for the one brief outburst, gave him its full, quiet attention, and for the most part went away wondering why the United States hesitated to send to Britain anything needed.

Last in Europe to Starve. "Germany," Shirer said, "will be the last nation in Europe to starve."

A Nazi invasion attempt of Great Britain is certain and is likely to come this Spring, before American aid to Britain can be felt, the listeners were told.

Taking one by one the issues and topics of general conversation among Americans in regard to Europe's war, Shirer dealt with them briefly and concisely, but with an authority that could come only to a correspondent who had followed Hitler's armies into Poland, Norway, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium and France—and as one who had returned to most of the countries after Heinrich Himmler's Gestapo had taken charge.

In Shirer's opinion the situation in Germany is not as Americans have hoped. The morale of the German people is good. They are behind Hitler so long as he is winning, just as they would be expected to be behind a leader who, in their eyes, is placing their country atop the world.

Plenty of Bread, Cabbage.

Food is scarce in Germany, he agrees, but there is plenty of bread, potatoes and cabbage, on which Germans have lived for many years and on which they can continue to live. The Germans each get a pound of meat and a quarterpound of butter a week. The only fruit is apples, and they are principally for the ill. Milk is given only to children.

Oil, according to Shirer, holds no immediate worry for the Nazis. German planes are built to use only synthetic gasoline made from coal, of which the Third Reich has plenty. Some petroleum products come from Rumania and Russia. Private motor vehicles aren't operating.

The problem, if there is one, Shirer believes, is centered about lubricating oil which for some reason can not be manufactured.

Damage Exaggerated.

Great Britain has exaggerated the amount of damage done by her Royal Air Force in Germany and Berlin itself shows but little effect from bomb hits. The RAF has no bombers capable of flying the long distance from the British Isles to Berlin with sufficient explosives to make an impression on the Ruhr Valley and the German seaports of Hamburg, Bremen, Kiel and Wilhelmshaven have been much more heavily hit but still are operating.

Workers in the Ruhr have suffered from lack of sleep because of the almost constant British raids, he said, but the industries themselves are, for the most part, still open.

Along the German-held coast of France the British fliers have brought untold destruction, Shirer said, and the French people, huddled in their homes, listen nightly for the drone of the RAF planes—and cheer the bombs that are dropped. Interrupted by the audience's applause, Shirer continued, "The irony is that they often cheer the very bombs that kill them."

Poland Suffers Worst.

Suffering worst on the ravaged continent is Poland, where, the speaker said, Hitler is determined to exterminate the race. Fighting back through sabotage are the Dutch and Czechs most of all, and the Belgians and Norwegians to a lesser extent.

But with the Gestapo in full charge in all occupied nations there is little chance of organized revolution, he continued.

The Italians are held in contempt by the Germans, and Mussolini, once a problem-partner of Hitler, has been quieter since the Albanian and Libyan fiascos. He now takes orders from the Fuehrer.

Hitler would invade Bulgaria and sweep on into Greece and Salonika except for his need to pacify Stalin in Moscow, Shirer believes. There is, however, nothing but a suspicious attitude between these two dictators.

"Stalin hopes to keep Britain and Germany at each other's throats while he reaps the rewards." Hitler wants to keep Stalin out of the war until Britain is conquered, then the Red leader will be handled."

Ahead of Britain, U. S.

Germany is making just enough planes to keep her total output a little greater than the combined production of America and Britain. Hitler and the German people believe the Nazi nation will win the war. Goering is the only man in Germany who successfully could take over if Hitler "vanished from the earth."

Gas will be used in the war only when the situation becomes more desperate than at present. The English Channel, 22 miles across, is "very wide" and "I don't believe Britain can be invaded." The German high command is amazed that the British have not taken over the vital neutral Irish ports. An invasion attempt on Britain may be expected "at any moment."

These were some of the answers given in the open forum after the lecture of the newspaper and radio correspondent, who left Berlin little more than a month ago.

ARNOLD

By Mrs. L. W. Walston

Billie Joe Abiley has had tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bishop and family of Merit spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hamar. Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Calloway are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Perkins.

Mrs. John Hamor and son, Joe, visited her mother at Merit Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Kinnaman are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby son.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rowland and Paula Jean visited Mr. and Mrs. Delfert Wolf and family of Merit Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Douglas and boys spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bailey and son.

Dorothy Jean Parkins spent Thursday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Mandy Parkins of Dixon.

Dee Jeffcoat who made his home with L. W. Walston and family left Tuesday for one year's training in the U. S. Army. Mr. Jeffcoat volunteered for service.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Rominger and sons, Billie, James, Lewis, and Wallace Rice of McKinney visited L. W. Walston and family Sunday afternoon.

Homer Parkins, Joe Harp, L. W. Walston and Billie Ray, spent Sunday with R. D. Rice and family of Pike.

Dorothy Jean Parkins and Joe Harp were bedtime visitors of Wanda Frances and Billy Ray Walston Friday night.

Former McKinney Man Sent To Cuba By Government

Information has been received in McKinney that Dr. Truman W. Cole, brother of A. L. Leonard, who is in this city, has been named as an expert to assist the Cuban Government in connection with a tick eradication campaign. Assignment of Dr. Cole to this important governmental post was recently given approval by President Roosevelt. The assignment in Cuba will require some four weeks, under provisions of an act by the Seventy-Sixth Congress.

Dr. Cole's assignment comes under the work of the Department of Agriculture, in charge of Secretary Claude R. Wickard. Dr. Cole was instructed to proceed to Havana on or about February 1, with the Cuban Government providing means of transportation necessary for his work there.

Selection of the former McKinney man for this important Cuban work is contained in a letter from Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles to Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, a copy of the letter being in the hands of Leonard Cole, brother of Dr. Cole.

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Mrs. Abe Miracle, living on Route 2, Anna, is a patient at the City Hospital. Mrs. Miracle was admitted to the hospital Tuesday after sustaining a fractured hip in a fall at her home.

Services were held at Westminster Thursday for Dan Harmon, 65, who died at his home in the Donna community Wednesday night. Burial was in Elm Grove cemetery near here. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Frances Bernice Ridge; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Lewis Baxley; a son, Ray, Wilbur, Charles and Freddy, all at home.

Murray Evans, student at A. & M., spent the week-end with his brother, Hubert Evans, in this city. He left a renewal for the Daily Courier-Gazette for W. S. Sherman of Bryan. Mr. Sherman is a former McKinney resident. Mr. Evans makes his home with Mr. Sherman while he attends school.

FSA Announces Important Meet Of Collin Farmers

Many Collin County farmers are struggling along under heavy debts and getting nowhere when they could be paying something to their creditors and making progress, said Pat N. Roberts, Supervisor for the Farm Security Administration in announcing the next meeting of the farm debt adjustment committee.

The meeting will be held Thursday at 10 a. m. February 6th, at Abernathy Building in McKinney, Texas. Frank W. Underwood, district farm debt adjustment specialist, of Honey Grove, will be present to offer his services.

"Most creditors very much prefer a prosperous customer to an old account," Mr. Roberts said, "and they are therefore willing to let down with farmers who owe them money and try to work out a solution. After an agreement has been worked out that is satisfactory and fair to both parties, the Farm Security Administration can help the farmer with its loan and advisory service to increase his income and pay his debts."

"Once a farmer gets on a sound basis," he stated, "he can make progress in his farming operations and have a better living for his family. Members of the Collin County farm debt committee, who help debt-burdened farmers and their creditors arrive at these agreements, are:

Grandson Collin McKinney Dies In North Carolina

Word has been received of the recent death of William McKinney Milam, 63, in the Veterans hospital in Fayetteville, N. C., after a long illness.

He was a grandson of Collin McKinney, co-author and signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence, after whom McKinney and Collin counties are named. He served in the United States Navy during the Spanish-American War. His grandfather, Jefferson Milam, moved to Texas from Kentucky in 1827 with Jefferson Milam's uncle, Ben Milam, famous in Texas history.

Mr. Milam had lived in Southern Pines, N. C. for 17 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annabel Milam; a daughter, Catharine, William McKinney Milam III; three brothers, J. B. Milam of Houston, and Collin Joseph Milam and Jefferson Milam of Van Alstyne, and three sisters, Mrs. J. H. Lawrence and Mrs. Rose Milam of Houston and Mrs. Barney Lawrence of Duncan, Okla.

Teachers And Trustees Will Meet February 8

County Superintendent J. W. Moseley announces a county-wide meeting of all teachers and trustees of all schools under the jurisdiction of the County Superintendent's office Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Boyd High School in McKinney. The meeting will open at 9 o'clock. Highlight of the program will be a demonstration of the teaching of music and art by Deputy Superintendent, S. G. Murdock, who urgently requests all teachers to be present.

Vernon Crockett, Sanitary Engineer of the City-County Health Unit, will discuss with the trustees of the county a project to improve drinking systems through the WPA. This improvement is urgently needed, says Superintendent Moseley.

Capt. J. A. Benton Welcome Visitor

Capt. J. A. Benton, of Wylie, Florida, representative from Collin and Grayson counties, called by this office Saturday morning.

Capt. Benton tells us he is serving on the following committees in the Legislature: Common Carriers, Interstate Cooperation, Labor, and is Vice Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee.

All committees have been appointed and are functioning at the present time, he says. The Legislature adjourned from Friday evening until Monday morning at 10 o'clock, and Capt. Benton was home over the week-end. If any of his friends care to contact him, he tells us, they may write Box 222, Capitol Building, Austin. He will be glad to hear from any of them.

Capt. Benton had as guests over the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Craig of San Antonio. Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Capt. Benton were war "buddies."

Succumbs



WM. G. McADOO

Heart Attack Fatal To Wm. Gibbs McAdoo

Wm. Gibbs McAdoo, of California, died early Saturday in Washington following a heart attack Friday night. McAdoo, former son-in-law of the late President Woodrow Wilson, had served in Wilson's Cabinet and in the Senate from California, as well as in various other governmental capacities. He was 78. McAdoo sought the Democratic Presidential nomination in 1924.

4 Millions Go To Texas CCC Boys In 1940

Writing from Washington, D. C. Bascom N. Timmons says: During the last fiscal year, \$4,032,756 was allotted to dependents of boys in Civilian Conservation Corps camps in Texas, the annual CCC report shows.

This amount is the total share of the boys' earnings sent to their dependents.

During the year, which ended with June 30, there were 16,197 juniors and 242 veterans enrolled in Texas and there were 56 camps in operation in the state. Of these camps, one was with the Bureau of Reclamation, one in a national park, 15 in state parks, one with the Biological Survey, 6 in national forests, 5 in private forests, and 27 with the soil conservation service.

In the work during the year, the CCC camps built 85 bridges, 82 impounding and large concrete dams, 605,522 rods of fencing, 1,302 rods of guard rails, 322 miles of telephone lines, laid 34,770 linear feet of pipe or the lines for water systems, and built 34 small reservoirs.

In erosion control work, the CCC enrollees in Texas did 77,220 square yards of stream and lake bank protection, built 443 permanent and 2,107 temporary check dams, seeded and sodded 1,975,048 square yards of gulches, planted, seeded and sodded 2,600,891 square yards of terrace outlets, finished 13,432 miles of contour furrows and ridges.

In the field of flood control, irrigation and drainage the CCC cleared and cleaned 142,400 square yards of channels and levees, excavated 93,391 cubic yards of earth from channels, canals, and ditches, and laid 11,584 square yards of concrete and paving.

Fighting forest fires in the state consumed 36,394 man-days of CCC work, fire suppression used by 23,392 man-days, and fire prevention took up 2,200 man-days of work.

Pond and predatory-animal control work was done on 73,569 acres.

Soldier Day Set Sunday, Feb. 9, By Baptist Churches

The second Sunday in the month Feb. 9, has been designated among Texas Baptists as "Soldier Day." On that day the Baptist Churches of Texas will be asked to raise \$50,000 which will be used to carry on work among the soldiers in the various camps of the State. There are many of these camps and there will be thousands of soldiers trained in the months to come in these camps. Baptists are urged not to forget their responsibility to minister to these men in a spiritual way. Camp Pastors will be located at these camps by the State Mission Board and will carry on the work among the men of the camps. Dr. A. C. Miller is the supervisor of the work in the State. He is working hand-in-hand with Dr. R. C. Campbell, State Mission Secretary.

Collin County Baptist churches are expected to do their part in raising the \$50,000.

Mrs. Minnie Douglas and Mrs. Bob Martin entertained the Methodist women with a social Monday afternoon at the Douglas home. Mrs. K. G. McKnight and Mrs. Roy Klingensmith had Wilson and Mrs. Wilson as guests. Refreshments were served to 19 members.

Texans Plan To Honor Anniversary Joining The U. S.

The 85th anniversary of the day that Texas—the only State that was a nation before becoming a State—voluntarily surrendered its sovereignty to join the United States will take place Feb. 19 and the House of Representatives wants it duly celebrated.

The lower chamber has adopted and passed to the Senate a concurrent resolution, authored by Representative Joe Carrington of Austin calling on Governor W. Lee O'Daniel to proclaim that date as "Texas Statehood Day."

Describing the event in 1846, the resolution says: "In a solemn hush of stifled emotions of sadness and joy, the beloved Lone Star flag of Texas fluttered from the southern gable of the capitol and while the boom of artillery sounded the annexation of Texas as the twenty-eighth state to enter the American Union, the glorious banner of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson was officially raised for the first time under Texas skies and the Stars and Stripes became the national flag of Texas."

Ordering a copy of the resolution sent President Roosevelt, the proposal requested a proclamation each year "to the people of Texas, calling to their attention the sentiment and noble ideals that are inspired and fostered by an understanding and appreciation of the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship in the greatest nation of all time—a democracy where all men are free and equal."

"And to rededicate themselves unflinchingly to their state and nation, keeping alive those patriotic sentiments and noble ideals that are inspired and fostered by an understanding and appreciation of the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship in the greatest nation of all time—a democracy where all men are free and equal."

Italian Collapse Believed Near; Rumors Of Rioting

Indications are increasing that historic events are shaping in Italy which may completely alter the course of the European war, close observers have reported. Persistent reports of rioting and other disorders in Italian cities—reports which, incidentally, are vigorously denied in both Rome and Berlin—lead many observers to believe that Italy is about at the end of its road in the conflict as a result of the military disasters it has suffered at the hands of the Greeks and the British in the last few months.

Italy may be on the verge of being knocked out of the war.

German Troops Arrive

Stories of the disturbances in Italy stress the fact that great numbers of German troops have arrived in that country recently. German soldiers, it is declared, were used to quell street fighting in Milan, Turin, and other cities in the industrial Po Valley. Public buildings and communication centers are under Nazi guard, it is said.

German secret police have joined the Italian fascist in attempts to run down disturbing elements, it is declared, and German staff officers have been attached to Italian commands.

Hundreds have been killed in public disorders, it is reported, which have grown out of mounting Italian dislike of the whole war, particularly with the fascist feasts in Greece and Africa and failure to get German help.

Seizure Is Possible. Observers speculate on what would happen should Italy collapse as a war partner of Adolf Hitler. Most of them think that Germany would attempt to take over the whole country to block Britain, which could make of a beaten Italy a formidable base for operations against Germany.

William C. Bullitt, former United States ambassador to France, recently declared that Italy today is a slave of Germany and will become a vassal state of the reich if it is knocked out of the war.

On the actual war fronts, the aerial siege of Britain by the Nazi air force continues, but with less severe blows. The whole Italian African colony of Libya is all but completely in the hands of the British, and the Greek army continues to push back the Italian forces through Albania. A Russian government newspaper said that Italy is beaten and its complete collapse is only a matter of time.

MRS. CLARENCE MILLER VISITS PARENTS.

Mrs. Clarence Miller of Detroit, Mich., arrived in McKinney Sunday to spend several weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burgess, of this city. Mrs. Miller is the former Miss Cleo Burgess and has a host of old home friends here who are always glad to see her on her occasional visits to McKinney. Her husband, who has often visited here, is an employee of the Chrysler plant in Detroit. Due to busy season in automotive works, he was unable to accompany Mrs. Miller on this visit.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jenkins of Celina visited in McKinney.

WHITE ROCK

Mrs. Burl Coffey

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slaughter of Dallas visited his grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Slaughter, last week. Mrs. Lora Aglin of Athens and Miss Helen Coffey of Nocona visited Burl Coffey and family recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wallis are attending the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Maud Browning of Melissa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker and Miss Doris Neill of Houston visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. Forrest Smith and daughter, Jimmie Dee, are spending a few days with relatives of Farmersville.

Women have a very important part in the national defense program since they are the ones who select and prepare the foods for their families. These are some of the things Miss Helen Dunlap, County Home Demonstration Agent, told the White Rock Home Demonstration Club women in their meeting at the home of Mrs. Forrest Smith last Tuesday afternoon.

According to reports from the Hillman Hospital, Birmingham, Alabama, children with slow minds, after being given vitamins previously lacking in their diets, became mischievous when sent back to school. If the American women will carefully guard the diets of their families they will help to build the strongest defense that the nation needs.

Nine members were present at the meeting. Miss Best was a guest. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Claud Godwin Feb. 11.

Farmersville Rotarians Hear Prof. J. Y. Gates

Prof. J. Y. Gates, member of the McKinney High School faculty, and instructor in Journalism, was the speaker before the Farmersville Rotary Club at the regular meeting Tuesday afternoon. Prof. Gates taught school two years in California, Greece, and brought the Rotarians an interesting talk on the history, habits and politics of that brave little country who is now defying its victory against Italy.

Vice-President O. E. Carlisle presided over the club in the absence of President E. H. Pendleton, who is ill. Bob Vicars held down Secretary Gus Hooks job who is also on the sick list.

The ladies of the Rebecca lodge served a delightful lunch.

BISHOP

By Mrs. Bertha Thomas

Miss Lorene Morris is ill with the mumps.

Quite a few cases of the flu have been reported.

Everyone enjoyed a free educational picture show at the school house Thursday night.

Ray Enloe and Charlie Renfro made a business trip to East Texas Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thomas were Sunday guests of S. A. Poston and wife of Higgins.

Levi Bass of McKinney visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bass, Sunday.

Miss Waldrene Pruitt spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Arlen Rittter and family of McKinney.

Mrs. Joe Spearman and daughter, Tressie of Winnickoff, were visitors of Mrs. J. C. Thomas Friday afternoon.

Miss Marie Harris of near Wylie spent several days recently with her sister, Mrs. Chester Wolf.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Love have been attending the bedside of the latter's mother, Mrs. T. A. Miller, who is quite ill at her home near Roland.

Mrs. Janie Wilburn and daughter-in-law of Branch visited the former's daughter, Mrs. Earl Kindel and baby, Bobby Earl, Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Homer Thomas visited her mother, Mrs. S. H. Smith of Mount Zion Sunday. Mrs. Smith has been confined to her bed for several days with illness, but is now on the road to recovery.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas and Mrs. Homer Thomas and children, Betty Jean, Winnie Lee and Leonard Ray, spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Jonah Love and little son, Ray.

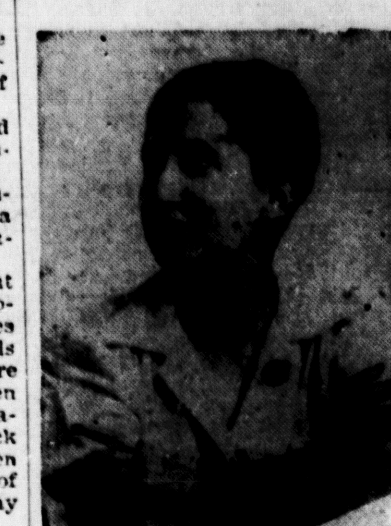
Mr. and Mrs. Don Pennington and little daughter, Shirley Nan, of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. John Tallent and little daughter, Rachel Ann, of Bonar Chapel spent the week-end with their father, M. L. Lenderman, and children, Nannie, Bessie, and Martin.

Dan M. Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thomas, who is enlisted in the U. S. Army, Co. E, 23rd Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, has been promoted to Sergeant; the appointment came just recently at Fort Sam Houston where Mr. Thomas is now serving his second enlistment.

Mrs. Waldrine and Mrs. Erlene Rittter and little daughter, Elizabeth Ann, of McKinney attended the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Holman Wednesday afternoon which was held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joe Hawthorne, with whom she made her home in the McDonald community.

This office had a very pleasant visit with the editor a long chat with our very fine friend, B. T. Morgan, a real dirt farmer and fine man, residing out on Route five, McKinney. Mr. Morgan tells us that Mrs. Morgan, who has been quite ill, is getting along much better, which will be mighty fine news for the many friends of this good woman. Call again.

Miss Oppenheimer Will Give Review Here February 14



MISS EVELYN OPPENHEIMER

"Foundation Stone" by Lella Warren is the book which Miss Evelyn Oppenheimer of Dallas will review when she appears here February 14 under the auspices of the Woman's Hospital Auxiliary. Miss Oppenheimer, renowned as one of the Southwest's best known dramatic readers and critics, needs no introduction to McKinney and Collin County people, having appeared here on several previous occasions. The book she has chosen for her review here this year is one of the best sellers at this time.

The New York Herald-Tribune says of it: "powerful pageant of pioneer life in Alabama, as rich as 'Gone With the Wind.'"

The New York Times says "Foundation Stone" is "a book of scope and stature, easily one of the best of its kind; a spacious, stirring story of the old South."

The Auxiliary will present Miss Oppenheimer Friday afternoon, February 14, at 4 o'clock in the High School Auditorium. The story will be interesting not only to ladies, but men as well, and the general public is invited to attend.

MISS WILLIAMS AND MR. LLOYD TO BE MARRIED FEB. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Williams of Tyler announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Nell, to James Edward Lloyd of Tyler, the wedding to take place in this city February 15 at 8 o'clock. The marriage rites will be read in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

The bride-to-be has been residing in McKinney the past three years, having held a position with the AAA office.

Several parties are being planned for the couple, here and in Dallas.

At a regular meeting of Celina Volunteer Fire Department the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Dr. W. H. Stallcup, chief; Herbert Parish, First Assistant; J. L. Meachum, Second Assistant; Albert Howell, Secretary and Treasurer; Tom Norris and Pete McKnight, Captains; Jot Clark, Captain first-aid team; Henry Rodgers, Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson and little nephew, James Aubrey Griffin, are enjoying a motor trip to South Texas and Old Mexico this week.

Precautions In Selection Of Orchard Site

To avoid difficulties later her orchard, Mrs. Claude Duvall, member of the Celina Home Demonstration Club, has taken precautions in selecting the site. She selected a plot which is natural drainage and is free from nematodes and root rot. A factor for root rot is the fact that cotton dies on soil infested with Nematodes, small worms, found in nodules on the roots of fruit trees, cause them to die at an early age. Mrs. Duvall examined vegetation on the plot to see if there were any nodules on the roots. Since she did not find any, she is quite sure the soil is free from them.

Another test she made was to be certain that the soil was neither too acid nor too alkaline. By pouring a liquid on a small portion of the soil, it turns a color indicating the amount of acid or alkaline salts present. The type most suited to orchard is neutral.

Mrs. Duvall has planned the size of the orchard as well as the varieties. She expects to do the planting when the soil dries enough.

Spraying Fruit Trees And Vines Is Recommended

Spraying of fruit trees and grape vines is the way to grow fruit free from disease and insects, says Mrs. W. W. Thomas, son, fruit plot demonstrator of the Franklin Home Demonstration Club. Brown rot in peaches, San Joe scale and peach leaf curl can all be controlled by spraying the trees now with lime sulphur spray. Later, blooming time, Mrs. Thomas says the curculio deposits its eggs in the small fruit, which causes the worm in the ripe fruit. To control this pest, she suggests spraying the trees with an arsenate of lead spray when 2-3 of the petals have fallen, and repeat it in 14 days.

Black rot, grape leaf folder and aphids may all be controlled by spraying the vines with Bordeaux mixture at various times during the season, says Mrs. Thomas. She makes this mixture by combining lime and copper sulphate with water. These sprays are expensive, and they do help to have desirable fruit.

Buddy Brockman, who has been confined to his home for past ten days with an infection in his leg, is some better today. Buddy is a popular member of the Senior Class of the McKinney

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Judge Suggs
Holds Court
In Houston

Fifty-Ninth District Court activities are at a standstill here this week, as Judge Tom Suggs was asked to come to Houston to preside over a week's District Court session in that city to help relieve an unusually heavy docket. The docket will be resumed here Monday, February 10, when a criminal assignment week will begin.

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Mrs. Allie Jacobs, Assistant.

Content for Contestees.
Argument was rendered Friday morning of the contestees in the election in question before the school district trustee. The trustee in question held a hearing on the contest, gave notice of appeal to court of Civil Appeals. Contestants were seeking to throw out a recent bond on which \$32,500 worth of bonds were voted. The ballot was opened and the ballots counted. The results remaining. A case was called January after a day-long hearing, it postponed until Friday when it was continued and judgment was rendered.

Grant of \$67,930 has been granted by President Roosevelt. The grant is to be used with the money raised by the bond issue in erection of a new school building. Approval of the grant has been received by the school district since the filing of the complaint.

Court this Week.
Court activities are at a still here this week, as Judge Suggs was asked to come to Houston to preside over a week's District Court session in that city to help relieve an unusually heavy docket. The docket will be resumed here Monday, February 10, when a criminal assignment week will be taken up.

Final Setting.
Friday, February 10.
State vs. Charles Hall, two cases.
State vs. Floyd Durham, three cases.
State vs. Clifford Wyatt, one case.
State vs. O. B. Clark, two cases.
State vs. E. C. Butcher, one case.
State vs. Mirrel Anderson, one case.
State vs. J. W. Clark, one case.
State vs. Melvin Benjamin, two cases.
State vs. Eugene Cambron, one case.
State vs. Carlton Gene Fowler, one case.
State vs. Clarence Loftice, one case.

Friday, February 11.
State vs. Clifford Wyatt, two cases.
State vs. Stanley Appollos, one case.
State vs. R. A. Jones, two cases.
State vs. Charles Gearhart, one case.
State vs. Holbert Lee Phillips, one case.
State vs. Gerald Ray Smart, one case.

Saturday, February 12.
DIVIDE TO CASES—two FIVE SUBSTANCES.

To The Editors:

It seems to me that many of us are too critical of our Governor and other state officials at Austin. Our state is so big that laws and regulations made to govern one section will be totally inapplicable to the others.

To get representatives of the widely separated parts voting on a measure shoulder to shoulder is a task equal to managing the Congress of the United States. What interest would a taxpayer in the Panhandle take in legislation regulating the water supply of the Rio Grande Valley; or the goat raisers of the Pecos country in laws governing pine forestry in East Texas? We are too far flung for good government and, eventually, something will have to be done to correct this squabbling among our representatives at Austin.

To separate into several states has been suggested, and the state has that right reserved to it from its union with the United States. But we would never allow that. No matter if we do fight among ourselves, we are the most state-loving people in the union, and we aim to preserve Texas as she stands or die in the trying.

I don't know anything about such matters, but I wonder if we could not, in some manner, divide ourselves into five districts for legislative purposes. Each of these districts would have its own capital, such as San Antonio, San Angelo, Amarillo, Dallas and Houston, with the governing capital remaining at Austin? Something has to be done, as all can see, as there has been no progressive legislation since the western portion of the state and the Rio Grande valley—assumed so much importance.

Taxes are the stumbling block. Tax each of the suggested districts for its identifying industries and the wide for general business and trade and for ad valorem and much of this objection would vanish.

ROY F. HALL.
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Mrs. J. E. Watkins who resides south of McKinney, on Route 2, has our thanks for Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewal.

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McKinney, Texas farmers have a long way to go if they build the 200,000 bushels needed to insure an adequate feed supply for their livestock during lean crop years and whenever winters, according to M. R. Wills, Extension Dairyman of J. A. & M. Co. That progress is being made is evident in the latest report on the number of trench silos in Texas. As of Jan. 1, 1941, which gives the state a total of 37,811. With 2,190 of other types, such as upright, pit, stack and picket fence, the grand total is 40,000. A year ago there were only 28,831 trench silos on Texas farms and in 1935 only 9,483.

With an average capacity of 116 tons for each silo, according to M. R. Wills, Texas livestock feed present is assured of a total of 4,640,000 tons of silage should crop failures occur in winter. Temperatures be unseasonably low. Figuring an average cost of \$2.15 per ton to produce and store, silage, farmers possess a larger non-supply of cheap feed than ever before.

To date four South Texas counties, Cameron, Willacy, Wharton and Hidalgo excel all others in the state in number of trench silos. Cameron leads with 1,637. Willacy has 1,600, Wharton, 1,400 and Hidalgo, 1,065.

Mr. Bee Baxter, Coleman, Gregg, Braw McCullough, Parker, Wilson and Mr. Young are some of the counties showing gains of 100 per cent or more in number of trench silos in use in 1941, compared with a year ago.

Gregg County producers are storing mostly corn and Japanese honey drip cane in their silos. County Agent Dick Hartman states.

School Children Have Opportunity Enjoy Symphony

Arrangements have been made to accommodate parties of school children, accompanied by teachers or parents, from nearby towns at the special children's concert of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra Saturday morning, Feb. 8, at 11 o'clock at Fair Park Auditorium. Children of McKinney are invited to make reservations.

In the past it has been impossible to accommodate large out-of-town groups because of the heavy local demand for tickets, although two small parties from public schools of Italy and Longview were seated at the fall children's concert last November.

Many requests, however, have come from nearby towns, and advance mail orders from these groups will be filled in order of receipt, it was stated.

Gladeview public schools are the first to request tickets for the approaching concert. Tickets are available at 25 cents for children and 50 cents for adults, at the Symphony office, 1211 Santa Fe Building. This small post is made possible by contributions of Dallas business men and civic leaders to underwrite the concert as a means of cultivating music appreciation in young people.

Jacques Singer, orchestra conductor, has arranged a program of special interest to children. Soloists will be Marion Roberts, 19-year-old Fort Worth pianist and winner of the 3. B. Dealey auditions sponsored by the Symphony last fall. He will play Paderewski's "Theme and Variations" and "Minute in G." in the second movement of the National Paderewski Competition. The Allegretto movement of Beethoven's Seventh Symphony, the second movement of Vardell's "The Carolinian," Tchaikovsky's "March Slav," and "Arkansas Traveler," arranged by Mark Phillips, a member of the orchestra trombone section. Mr. Singer will lead the children in singing "Shosti-Pidi," a Czech-Slovakian folk song, and patriotic anthems.

New Records By Federal Home Loan Bank

New high records in total assets and in the volume of business done were established during the past year by the 119 insured savings and loan associations in Texas, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Little Rock reported today. A compilation of the year end statements, just completed by the Bank, shows that the Texas home financing institutions now have total assets of \$101,291,886, being a gain of \$9,885,618 over the figures of a year ago.

The statistics include the figures of the McKinney Federal Savings and Loan Association by which the local area is served.

G. D. Antwiler, residing on Route 2, Frisco, called at our office this week, renewing his Weekly Democrat-Gazette for another year for which we thank him.

Mrs. Nell Flanery is having a new kitchen built to her home at Weston. Improvements have been made at homes of Mrs. Hulda Peebles, B. F. Choate and J. G. Huff, also of Weston.

Winter Is Over, Says Ground Hog; Norther Arrives

If Mr. Ground Hog anticipated the early coming of Spring on the basis of Sunday's sixty-five degree weather, we suspect he burrowed himself today, feeling that his reputation as a weather prophet had taken something of a beating. For neither a cloudless sky nor warm temperatures smiled on citizens Monday. Instead, the mercury, which reached a high of 65 Sunday, plunged to 33, one degree above freezing, and icy winds whipped at hats and skirts.

The rains that covered most of Texas Saturday passed over North Texas Sunday, but cloudy skies prevailed during the day to provide ideal conditions for Mr. Ground Hog, who, according to time-worn tradition, came out of his burrow, did not see his shadow, and decided winter was about over. It is to be hoped, for the good of Mr. Ground Hog's self-confidence, that he had a ready excuse for his bad prediction.

However, some comfort to disappointed citizens, who had hoped for milder weather, and to the Ground Hog, who probably feels he has "stuck his neck out" in more ways than one, will be the poet's claim: If winter comes, can Spring be far behind?

WESTON

Coy Willard of Houston visited his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Willard, Tuesday night.

The J. G. Huff rent house is being re-covered.

Erwin Comer escaped with minor injuries Wednesday night when his car overturned west of Celina and was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Nell Flanery is having a new kitchen built at her home west of town. B. F. Choate has had his smokehouse re-covered. Mrs. Hulda Peebles has had a picket fence built around her yard.

Bill Comer of Sherman visited his mother, Mrs. B. A. Comer, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Harper and family have moved to McKinney. Earl Culwell of Madill, Oklahoma, visited his mother, Mrs. J. W. Culwell, this week.

Mrs. Gus Hansard and Marvin Johnson have been brought home from the McKinney City Hospital, where they underwent major operations. Both are reported to be improving.

Miss Marjorie Holder spent the week-end in McKinney with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holder.

Half of the funds received at the local skating rink Friday night are to go toward the "March of Dimes" infantile paralysis fund it has been announced.

Jim Smith of San Antonio is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brown. Mr. Smith is en route home from Rochester, Minn., where he underwent an operation at Mayo Clinic.

The Blue Ridge Mountain radio entertainer with Gus Foster as master of ceremonies are to present a program here Friday night under the sponsorship of the Woodman lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Turnbow of Wylie visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cave Tuesday.

Dec. Matthews, 55, passed away Saturday morning at one o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Cal Pope, after an illness of several days. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the local Baptist Church by the pastor, the Rev. J. R. Hilger. Interment was in Mugg Cemetery, directed by Helms Funeral Home of Celina.

The deceased was born Dec. 28, 1855, in Tennessee, a son of Allen and Sallie Matthews. They moved to Kentucky while he was small. It was there he was married June 5, 1874, to Miss Margaret Kidwell, who died 13 years later. He came to Texas in 1890, settling in the Warden community and has lived in and around here since.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Cal Pope and Mrs. Sam Matthews, 24 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

THOMPSON

Miss Melba Jean Nicholas, Cora Mr. and Mrs. Allie Driggers, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Driggers, and Mrs. Tom Rich are attending the bedside of a relative at Blue Ridge who is ill with double pneumonia.

Miss Maudine Myrick spent the week-end with relatives at Princeton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crosser have moved from this community to Milligan. We regret to lose these fine people.

Douglas McMillan has had to miss school. He has been ill with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hall and family have moved from this community to Wilson. We regret to lose this family as we lived in our community nine years.

Eighty-Five Per State And County Taxes Are Paid

County Tax Assessor-Collector Clint Lewis has recorded a total of 6,750 county poll tax payments Monday morning, Feb. 3. Approximately 85 percent of the state and county taxes have been paid, says Mr. Lewis, who explains the penalty attached to taxes not paid by Jan. 31. During the month of February 1 1/2 percent of the total amount of the unpaid current tax will be added to the tax as penalty. The penalty, operating on a sliding scale, will increase each month the taxes remain unpaid.

City Secretary G. Frank Wolford is recording taxes received in the mail over the week-end and announces he will make a list of city taxes.

Eleven cars were registered Saturday, according to Mr. Lewis. Automobiles may be registered for 1941 until midnight April 1, but new license plates may not be placed on cars until March 1, Mr. Lewis says.

Selectees Are Transferred To 142nd Infantry

The following men are among those sent to the reception center of the Thirty-Sixth Division at Camp Bowie under the provisions of the selective service law who were transferred as privates to the 142nd Infantry Regiment:

- W. W. Johnston, Van Alstyne, Texas.
- M. A. Fair, Gunter, Alsteyne, Texas.
- E. M. Lee, McKinney, Texas.
- W. C. Evans, McKinney, Texas.
- L. R. McCarty, Celina, Texas.
- J. E. Gattis, Anna, Texas.
- J. T. Harlin, McKinney, Texas.
- G. T. Hall, McKinney, Texas.
- J. D. Lee, Celina, Texas.
- C. P. Trimble, Farmersville, Texas.
- J. C. Godwin, Princeton, Texas.
- J. S. Coleman, Farmersville, Texas.
- L. F. Bass, Princeton, Texas.
- H. W. Carter, Howe, Texas.
- L. P. Trammell, Princeton, Texas.
- D. W. Hicks, Clearlake, Texas.
- W. L. Norman, Farmersville, Texas.
- C. F. Webster, Plano, Texas.
- W. D. Sauls, Prosper, Texas.
- J. D. Cassidy, Melissa, Texas.
- O. R. Lair, Westminster, Texas.
- R. W. McNally, Anna, Texas.
- T. R. Lewallen, Van Alstyne, Texas.

DELBA

By Miss Eudene Martin, Cor. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Price and Mr. Odie Pritchett, all of Yantis, visited J. C. Sartin and family Friday.

Miss Etta May Owens and Audra Cash, both of New Liberty, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cash.

The Rev. Parkey of Sherman visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Flanagan and family one day last week.

Mr. Bob Cowan was in Leonard and Bonham on business Friday.

Mr. Bud Smith of Ector has moved back to Delba. We are glad to welcome him and his family back to our community.

Mr. Leon Fonce was called to Bonham Monday by the draft board for examination.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Smith visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Yowell, of Whitewright, one day last week.

Mrs. Grace Starnes spent one evening last week with her mother, Mrs. Satterthwaite, of Leonard.

Mr. Eaken Fowler of Trenton spent Saturday night with Mr. Wavland Darst.

Mr. Howard Adkerson and Miss Jaunetta Combs, both of the Delba community, were married Friday night at Leonard by Mr. Jesse Sudderth. We wish them a long and happy life together.

Mr. Bill Weathers of Celeste spent a few days last week with his brother, George Weathers, who has been in bad health for some time.

Miss May Starnes is spending the week with her brother, Bob Starnes, in McKinney.

Mr. Bangs moved to the Clarence Woosley farm from Trenton last week to the house vacated by Mr. Jack Madden some time ago.

Mrs. J. B. Flanagan and little son, J. A. Flanagan, have been sick the past week.

Mr. Wesley Combs was in Sherman and Van Alstyne on business one day last week.

Death Of W. H. Scales At Home Zanesville, Ohio

Mrs. D. M. Padgett received a message Sunday from her sister, Mrs. W. H. Scales, announcing the sudden death of Mrs. Scales' husband at their home early that day in Zanesville, Ohio, from a heart attack. The deceased and his wife had often visited in McKinney, and our readers will remember that they were here for a visit last summer in the Padgett home. They had lived in Zanesville for twenty years, the deceased having long been engaged in the railroad business in that city. Surviving are his wife and two children: Leslie Scales, at home, and Mrs. John Cable of North Carolina.

Enrollment In High School Is More Than 500

Enrollment in the Boyd Senior High School for the second semester is announced by Superintendent Jack Ryan as follows: Eleventh, 80 boys, 109 girls; Tenth, 90 boys, 75 girls; Ninth, 78 boys, 97 girls.

The graduating seniors number the largest in the history of McKinney High School.

Attendance has been unusually good this year, despite illness and a certain amount of bad weather.

Mrs. Tom W. Perkins and daughter, Mrs. J. Ollie Smith and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Maxwell F. Perkins, spent today (Friday) in Dallas, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Perkins and Master Jon Perkins.

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McKinney High Lions Win Cage Championship

The McKinney High Lions were declared Collin County Class A cage champions following their two successive victories in the championship series of the Class A Conference against Plano, nearest contender for the title. Tuesday afternoon in the McKinney High School Gymnasium. The Lions outplayed their opponents throughout the game, the score at the end of the first quarter being 15-2. At the half, 29-10, McKinney leading.

Final score of the game was 44-17. High scorer for the Lions was Heifner, with 15 points. Runner-up was Lafollette with 11 points.

Greer and Bullock of Plano each scored 4 points to be named high point players for their team.

McKinney's starting lineup follows: Hendricks, Orenduff, Forwards; Lafollette, Center; Hall, Craft, Guards. A large number of substitutions was made on the McKinney team.

Plano's starting lineup included: Greer, Turner, Forwards; Batchelor, Davis, Guards; Scribner, Center.

Contestees Are Favored In Local Court Decision

Judgment was rendered Friday in favor of the contestees in the suit brought against the Collin Independent School District trustees, the election in question being upheld as valid. The contestees gave notice of appeal to the Court of Civil Appeals.

The contestees were seeking to have thrown out a recent bond election at which \$32,500 worth of bonds were voted. The ballot box was opened and the ballots recounted, the results remaining unchanged.

The case, which was heard in the Fifty-Ninth District Court, presided over by Judge Tom Surges, was scheduled for Wednesday, January 29. After day-long hearings, it was postponed until Friday when hearings were continued and judgment brought.

A grant of \$67,930 has been approved by President Roosevelt, the grant to be used with the money raised by the bond issue in the erection of a new school building. Approval of the grant has been received by the school board since the filing of the contest by the plaintiffs.

P. O. Loftice Gets First Car Number For 1941

P. O. Loftice, living on Route 4, McKinney, maintained his record this year, buying the first automobile license plate issued in Collin County for the year, 1941. Mr. Loftice has registered his car first for several years. His 1941 number will be 291-901.

J. W. McClusky of McKinney was the second to register his car, Earl Brown of Weston, third. Three Nevada citizens secured their license plates next: J. Q. Davis, N. J. Davis, and Mrs. J. E. Davis. J. B. Tilterson of Celina was the seventh registrant.

No truck license for 1941 had been issued early Saturday morning. For the first time, all license plates, automobile, truck, motorcycle, or otherwise, use the same color schemes. The car license plates have black background, gold numerals, while all commercial vehicles have gold background and black numerals.

Collin County is the "land of opportunity" for automobile manufacturers as evidenced in the January registration of new automobiles, says J. R. Stewart, Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector. Clint Lewis' office, who registered 134 new cars for Collin citizens during the first month of the year. Sixteen new cars were registered Friday, January 31. These will have to be registered again for the year 1941 within the next sixty days, says Mr. Stewart.

Brother Of Mrs. Ira Anderson Dies Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Anderson were called to Euless, near Arlington, Friday to attend the funeral of A. N. Cannon, brother of Mrs. Anderson, who died Thursday, January 30. Mr. Cannon, a prominent nurseryman, was well known in this section, many people having purchased plants from him.

Mr. and Mrs. Cannon would have celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday, February 2, had Mr. Cannon lived. Funeral services were held and interment made in Bedford Cemetery Friday afternoon.

Cross Breeding Hurts Dairy And Beef Cattle

Reliable sources report 60 per cent of Texas dairy cows are being bred to beef bulls. But, cautions W. V. Maddox, Extension Service dairy manufacturing specialist for Texas A. and M. College, "This practice not only is breeding the state out of the dairy business but is hurting the beef industry as well."

Most producers who have adopted this course, he says, failed to figure where tomorrow's dairy replacements are coming from. Statistics for 1939 show a decline in dairy heifers of seven percent over the previous year. And it is estimated that 1940 will show a 15 percent decline. This will mean approximately 60,000 less dairy heifers in Texas at present.

The replacement of cotton acreage by feed has encouraged more livestock on the farm, but the price of beef has caused not only farmers to go into the beef cattle business but has induced many milk producers to breed out of the dairy business.

The 69 counties east of a line formed by Cooke, Tarrant, McLennan, Travis and Harris counties, which has been considered a large dairy cow section, has increased 119 per cent in beef cattle in the last few years. A large percentage of this increase has been achieved by cross breeding dairy cows with beef bulls.

The specialist concludes that should cotton prices come back a swing from livestock to cotton production might be expected. Again, today's encouraging level of beef prices may not stay, and today's milk prices may advance. It should be remembered that it is impossible to grow milk cows as rapidly as beef or cotton. Transforming a herd of heifers into profitable dairy cows takes years of proper management, culling, feeding and breeding, and all this work can be erased in a short time by improper breeding methods.

Advertise—Lest they forget!

HANCOCK-KELLER. Sunday, February 2, at the home of Rev. G. C. Ford and wife, 1006 Hamilton Street, this city, at 8 p. m., James W. Hancock and Miss Ora R. Keller were united in marriage. Rev. Ford officiating. The groom is the son of Jas. Hancock and wife, and the bride is a daughter of J. H. Keller, all of this city. The happy young couple will make their home in McKinney. The bride is one of the Keller triplets, well-known in this city and county, and is the last of the three sisters to be married.

McKinney Youth Not Involved In Train Accident



BILL THOMPSON.

Anxiety felt in this city for the safety of Bill Thompson, believed to be on the train which was derailed near Hattiesburg, Miss., while transporting troops from Indiana to Camp Shelby in Mississippi, was lifted by a message received Friday, stating that none of Mr. Thompson's regiment was aboard that train.

About 33 trains formed the troop movement, among which was the train carrying Mr. Thompson's regiment. Fifty thousand troops will be trained at Camp Shelby, destination of the ill-fated train.

Hospital doctors at Laurel, where the injured were transferred by ambulance, reported that A. V. Smith, train fireman, was killed. There were no fatalities among the soldiers, although several were injured.

Mr. Thompson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson of this city. He was born and reared in this county, graduating from Boyd High School. He was employed with the Department of Commerce.

Mr. Thompson volunteered recently for service in the U. S. Army at Princeton, Indiana, where he went to work for a big well supply company. He is mess sergeant with Battery D, 139th Field Artillery, Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

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Obsequies Held At Weston For B. E. Matthews

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon for Bee Elijah Matthews, 65, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Col. Pope, of Weston this morning, Feb. 1. He had been ill with influenza for five weeks.

Mr. Matthews was born Dec. 28, 1855, in Tennessee, the son of Allen and Sally Matthews. He had lived in Texas and Collin County for 48 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, who passed away fifty years ago, before his coming to Texas. He was also preceded in death by four children.

The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Pope, of Weston, and Mrs. Elizabeth Holland, of Anna. Several grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church at Weston, interment following in the Magnolia cemetery near there. Rev. J. R. Hilger of Greenville conducted the service. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Helms of Celina.

Aluminum Will Meet Demands

A production expert of the Aluminum Co. of America predicts the aluminum industry will be able to meet all requirements of the anticipated April, 1942, peak of 3000-planes-a-month three months ahead of schedule.

The industry is geared to meet all present defense requirements, he said, denying that there was an over-all shortage of the metal. Airplane manufacturers in a number of cases have found themselves confronted with temporary shortages of certain specific types of fabricated aluminum.

He predicted the industry's expansion program of 700,000,000 pounds of aluminum in 1942. This amount would be more than sufficient to take care of all British and United States armament requirements and civilian needs.

If defense needs exceed present anticipations the industry is prepared to curtail production for civilian consumption until additional production facilities can be placed in operation.

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Mrs. John Hibbitt, Sister Of Celina Woman, Succumb

Mrs. A. J. Malone, of Celina, received word Wednesday night of the death of her sister, Mrs. John Hibbitt. Funeral services were held there Friday afternoon.

Attending from Celina were Mr. and Mrs. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bunch and Mrs. T. Jones. Mrs. Hibbitt was a sister of Mrs. Thompson and a sister of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Mann.

White Leghorn Hen Adopts Kitten Family

Birds of a feather don't ways flock together, as proven by the White Leghorn hen, owned by Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Boyd of Route 1, Nevada, which has adopted a brood of kittens, looking on them as her pen-maternal instincts. It isn't as if she were playing the Samaritan to helpless members of another clan, says Mr. Boyd. This pen-maternal case of fowlism is a usurper of family ties. She was off the mother cat, enforcing the adopted creed of "might makes right" with sharp pecks.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd called this office Friday, ordering the Daily Courier-Gazette sent the "piliated" hen, and asks themselves one who wants to verify it. Clearly, this is a case of a patrilator Mr. Ripley.

Obsequies Held Here Friday For Walter A. Davis

Funeral services for William Allen Davis, well-known McKinney business man, were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Massie Funeral chapel, under the direction of Dr. Clifford Weaver, assisted by Dr. R. Cowan and Dr. R. A. Clifton. The deceased passed away at his home, 506 West Dallas Street, early Wednesday. He was found dead in bed about 7 o'clock Wednesday morning. Mrs. Davis, he had been in health several years, and had been on a leave of absence from the Texas Power & Light Company, where he was an able employee, for some time. He was married to T. P. & L. Comp. for 24 years, being one of the company's most efficient clerks.

Mr. Davis was born Nov. 1893, at Princeton, being 47 years, 2 months, and 7 days at the time of his death. He was married to Miss Ora Dugger at Farmersville on June 11, 1911.

Mr. Davis was active in local business, civic and church circles, being Past President of the Lions Club.

Mr. Davis was a member of the First Baptist Church of this city.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Woodrow Davis, who is employed with the T. P. & L. Company at Royce City, and Robert Davis, at home; his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Davis, of this city; and the following sisters: Mrs. Porter Cave, Plainwell, Michigan; Mrs. S. S. Knapp, Mrs. Leslie Hailey and Mrs. Maurice Winzer of Dallas.

Palbearers were: H. S. Ware, District T. P. & L. Company Manager; S. C. Cooper of the T. P. & L. office at Royce City; A. D. Smith, Roger Duke, Harry Green, Woody Raina, all fellow employees of Mr. Davis at the T. P. & L. office; Sam Davis, Jr., of Denon, and Winifred Taylor, of this city, both nephews of the deceased.

Gets Appreciated Letter From Cong. Sam Rayburn

"Uncle Steve" Hall of this city is happy over a congratulatory letter from Congressman Sam Rayburn which reads as follows:

"My dear friend: I have just read of the celebration of your 66th birthday. Allow me to join with your many other friends in congratulating you on this happy event. With every good wish I am, sincerely yours, Sam Rayburn."

Mr. Hall was pleased with the message which he will cherish as long as he lives. For one of his advanced years, he is in good health and appears to be many years younger. He has a multitude of friends who join in extending felicitations to him upon his anniversary and wish him many more such happy occasions.

Mr. Hall has been a staunch supporter of Congressman Rayburn for many years and wants him to be President of the United States.

J. L. Kindie, residing on Route 5, McKinney, was in Saturday and called by this office. He left \$1 to renew his Weekly Democrat-Gazette for another year. Thank Mr. Kindie for his visit and for his renewal.

WHITE ROCK Mrs. Burl Coffey

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slaughter of Dallas visited his grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Slaughter, last week. Mrs. Lora Aftlin of Athens and Miss Helen Coffey of Nocona visited Burl Coffey and family recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wallis are attending the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Maud Browning Melissa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker Miss Doris Neill of Houston visited relatives here last week. Mrs. Forrest Smith and her family, Jimmie Dee, are spending a few days with relatives of the family.

Women have a very important part in the national defense plan since they are the ones who select and prepare the food for the families. The some of the things Miss Dunlap, County Home Demonstration Agent, told the White Home Demonstration Club in their meeting at the home of Mrs. Forrest Smith last afternoon.

According to reports from Hillman Hospital, Birmingham, Alabama, children with minds, after being given diets previously lacking in vitamins become mischievous and receive A grades when back to school. If the women will carefully guard the diets of their families the help to build the strong sense that the nation needs.

Nine members were present at the meeting. Miss Best, guest. Next meeting will be Mrs. Claud Godwin Feb. 1.

Farmersville Rotarians Hear Prof. J. Y. Gates

Prof. J. Y. Gates, member of the McKinney High School, and instructor in Journalism, was the speaker before the Farmersville Rotary Club at a regular meeting Tuesday noon. Prof. Gates taught two years in Calonica, Q. and brought the Rotarians interesting talk on the history and politics of that brave country who is now defying its liberty against Italy.

Vice-President E. C. presided over the club in the absence of President H. R. Long who is ill. Bob Vickers, down Secretary Gus Hooch who is also on the sick list. The ladies of the Rotarist lodge served a delightful luncheon.

Miss Lorene Morris is ill the mumps.

Quite a few cases of the mumps have been reported. Everyone enjoyed a free picture show at the school house Thursday night. Ray Enloe and Charlie made a business trip to Texas Tuesday.

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ALLA SCHOOL HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED.

Superintendent Travis Hammer has released the following honor roll for the Alla School:

First Grade, Patsy Ruth Stantagh; second, Nancy Jane Mosley; third, Billie Wayne Balch; fourth, Billy Oris Phillips; fifth, Glen Dee Kindie, Joyce Thompson, Velma Lee Kinney, Billy George Tillerson.

Sixth, Delores Jean Dennis, Eugene Miller, Wilma Jean Frair; seventh, Ruby Lois Ferguson, Francis Littrell, Willie Jo Keith; ninth, Edna McWhirter, Billy Maurine Miller; tenth, Katherine Harris, Dortha Phillips.

J. W. White, 113, Native Of Collin, Dies In Carthage

News of the death Sunday, January 19, of J. W. White, 113 years of age, at his home in Carthage, Panola County, Texas, brings regret to his many friends here and elsewhere throughout North Texas, where he was well-known. Mr. White formerly lived in Collin County. He had been ill for one week. His funeral services were held Monday, January 20, with Rev. H. L. Groom and Rev. E. C. Phifer officiating.

Mr. White was born in Floyd County, Georgia, in 1828. He married Miss Georgia McDaniel in 1852 and they were the parents of eight children. Following Mrs. White's death, Mr. White married Mrs. Belle Reggins and they were the parents of five children, four surviving.

Mr. White moved to Texas from Georgia in 1860 and settled in Collin County. In 1913 he moved to Panola County. He was a prominent farmer until his death and will be remembered by his help to his many friends, not only at Carthage but while he was a resident of Collin County.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Belle White; nine children, R. D. White and O. R. White of Van Alstyne, Mrs. Nora Bolton of Carthage, James W. White and S. E. White of Gary, Texas, J. D. White of San Diego, Calif., Alfred White of Palestine, Texas, and Doc White and Gus White of Marvaul; 24 grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren.

Miss Opp At Will Gister For Her Harmon, 65

Funeral services were held at his home near the Rough school in the Donna community Wednesday night. Rev. Earl Rogers conducted the services. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Francis Bernice Ridge; a step-daughter, Mrs. Lewis Baxter, both of the Donna community; four sons, Doyle Ray, Wilbur, Charles, and Freddy, all at home. Interment was made in the Elm Grove Cemetery near Westminster, the Massie Funeral Home conducting.

Blue Ridge Teams Defeat Princeton

The Blue Ridge cagers won games in the Collin County league at Blue Ridge Wednesday night, defeating the Princeton boys and girls.

The Blue Ridge boys nosed out the Princeton five 22-to-19, after leading 17-to-15 at the half.

Paced by Ruby Davis with 17 points and McGuffey with 12, the Blue Ridge girls defeated the Princeton sextet 35-to-26. Croggett tallied eight for Princeton.

Score by periods:

Princeton	12	15	19	26
Blue Ridge	14	31	25	35

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Mrs. R. G. McCain, Jr., of Houston is attending the bedside of her father, N. A. Burton, who underwent a tonsillectomy Sunday morning. Mr. Burton was removed to his home Tuesday, where he is reported improving. Mrs. McCain will remain through this week with her parents.

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BUSINESS AT THE TEMPLE OF JUSTICE

DISTRICT COURT NEWS.

Hon. Tom Suggs, Judge.
Jim C. Cantrell, Clerk.
Mrs. Scott Abernathy, Deputy.
Roland W. Boyd, County Attorney.
Dwight Whitwell, Assistant.
Mrs. Allie Jacobs, Assistant.

Judgment for Contestees.

Judgment was rendered Friday in favor of the contestees in the suit brought against the Collin Independent School District trustees, the election in question being upheld as valid. The contestants gave notice of appeal to the Court of Civil Appeals.

The contestants were seeking to have thrown out a recent bond election at which \$32,500 worth of bonds were voted. The ballot box was opened and the ballots recounted the results remaining unchanged.

The case was called January 29. After a day-long hearing, it was postponed until Friday when hearing was continued and judgment brought.

A grant of \$67,930 has been approved by President Roosevelt, the grant to be used with the money raised by the bond issue in the erection of a new school building. Approval of the grant has been received by the school board since the filing of the contest by the plaintiffs.

No Court this Week.

Court activities are at a standstill here this week, as Judge Suggs was asked to come to Houston to preside over a week's District Court session in that city to help relieve an unusually heavy docket. The docket will be resumed here Monday, February 10, when the criminal assignment will be taken up.

Criminal Setting.

Monday, February 10.
State vs. Charles Hall, two cases.
State vs. Floyd Durham, three cases.
State vs. Clifford Wyatt, two cases.
State vs. O. B. Clark.
State vs. E. C. Butcher.
State vs. Mirrel Anderson.
State vs. J. W. Clark.
State vs. Melvin Benjamin, two cases.
State vs. Eugene Cambron.
State vs. Carlton Gene Fowler.
State vs. Clarence Loftice.

Tuesday, February 11.
State vs. Clifford Wyatt, two cases.
State vs. Stanley Appollos, three cases.
State vs. R. A. Jones, two cases.
State vs. Charles Gearhart, four cases.
State vs. Hubert Lee Phillips.
State vs. Gerald Ray Smart, seven cases.

Wednesday, February 12.
State vs. Sam Gadberty, two cases.
State vs. H. E. Hamill.
State vs. L. C. James.
State vs. Willie Woods.
State vs. Charlie Lee Dies (col.).
State vs. Arthur Lee Tyler (col.).

New Suits.
F. C. Helms vs. Charley Cunningham, independent executor, et al. debt and foreclosure.
Valene McWilliams vs. Paul McWilliams, divorce.
Margaret Gay vs. Winston Gay, divorce.
Charlie Smith vs. Bessie D. Smith, divorce and custody of children.
Martha Steele vs. Jack Steele, divorce.

FOUR room box house, weather-boarded, two porches. Large lot, corner Greenville and Murray streets. House No. 507. Price \$1,000.

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COUNTY COURT NEWS.

Hon. Jewel E. Abernathy, Judge.
W. C. Hagy, Clerk.
Clyde Cunningham, Chief Deputy.

Cases Disposed Of.
Ernest Lewis, charged with transporting liquor, sentenced to 30 days in jail and to pay cost of suit, amounting to \$24.00.
Charles Harold, charged with aggravated assault, fined \$25 and cost, amounting to \$47.55, and sentenced to 40 days in jail.
Mrs. Cecilia James, charged with carrying pair of knuckles.

LOST: In McKINNEY Saturday. Flign watch, gold-plated face; short braided cord, upper end worn off. \$5.00 reward for return to W. R. DENISON, owner. Branch Store, 12 miles South-east of McKINNEY; McKINNEY, Route 5.

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The Lora Ryan Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Methodist Church will have a social meeting at the home of Mrs. Ralph Bedell, 704 Parker Street, Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. T. L. Burkes, Mrs. Clyde Davis and Mrs. Audie Andrews will be assisting.

Attending a Collin County Presbyterian council meeting in McKINNEY Tuesday was Rev. Alexander McFarren, Mrs. F. A. West, Mrs. O. T. Murphy, Mrs. Lee Robinson, Mrs. Cal Flanery, Mrs. Tom Short and Mrs. Ollie Bounds of Celina. Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Flanery were on the program.

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lined \$100 and cost, amounting to \$120.50.

Probate.
A. E. Carlisle has made application to probate will of G. C. Hill and Martha T. Hill, deceased.

Marriage License.
Elmer Lee Reed (col.) and Willie Christel Turner.
Oscar G. Smith and Loren Leach.

Everett W. Harmon and Iva Wilson.
James W. Hancock and Orea Royce Keeler.
J. H. Dean and Julia Phenix.
W. C. Luckey and Mrs. Ruby Ash.

Vital Statistics Report for Jan. Following is the vital statistic report for January, as kept by Local Registrar Clyde Doyle for McKINNEY and Precinct No. 1:

Births.
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard B. Leach, girl, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henderson, girl, McKINNEY, Route 2.
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Thomas, boy, McKINNEY, Route 5.
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Womack, boy, McKINNEY.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley T. Simpson, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Arnie B. Carr, boy, Farmersville, Route 4.
Mr. and Mrs. Buford O. Rogers, girl, McKINNEY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brooks (dead) boy, Allen, Route 1.
Mr. and Mrs. Barnett L. Green, girl, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Leeland V. Branner, boy, McKINNEY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter McGarrah, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Dean B. Tucker, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Wilson, girl, Celina, Route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Martin, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Thurman L. Byrum, girl, Allen, Route 1.
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Chapman, boy, McKINNEY.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Shipp, girl, Princeton, Route 1.
Mr. and Mrs. George N. Haggar, girl, Plano, Route 2.
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis M. Cottrill, boy, McKINNEY.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. McDearmon, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Leslie B. Owens, boy, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Obie E. Botsford, boy, McKINNEY, Route 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Lentz, girl, McKINNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Inzer, girl, McKINNEY, Route 3.
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jenkins, boy, McKINNEY, Route 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson H. Dodson, boy, McKINNEY, Route 2.
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie L. Smith, girl, Plano, Route 2.
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Justice, girl, McKINNEY, Route 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel T. Jones, boy, McKINNEY, Route 5.

Deaths.
E. H. Gilbert, age 72 years, Princeton.
A. H. Eubanks, age 54 years, McKINNEY.

W. A. R. Honea, age 77 years, McKINNEY.
Infant Brooks, Allen.
Josephine Hernandez (Mex.) age 9 years, McKINNEY.

Mrs. Della Linderman, age 50 years, McKINNEY, Route 5.
R. E. Phillely, age 65 years, McKINNEY, Route 5.
Loretta J. Shipp, age 7 years, Princeton, Route 1.

Mrs. Mollie Isbell, age 31 years, Anna.
L. A. Story (col.) age 79 years, McKINNEY.
Mrs. Ida O. Hooks, age 64 years, McKINNEY.

Mrs. Nancy J. Holder, age 81 years, McKINNEY, Route 5.
John B. Hill, age 63 years, McKINNEY.
Mrs. Sarah E. Holman, age 78 years, McKINNEY, Route 2.

Mrs. Flora L. Vaughan, age 28 years, McKINNEY.
Mrs. T. D. Rexrode, age 75 years, McKINNEY.
Walter A. Davis, age 47 years, McKINNEY.

JUSTICE COURT.
Hon. Clyde Doyle, J. P.
W. A. Kerby, Constable.
Floyd Williams, Deputy.

The constable's department has made the following arrests during the past week:
Two for drunkenness; one for violation stock law.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
W. E. Button, Sheriff.
Dan Rike.
Roy Hays.
A. G. Spartin.
Deputies.

The sheriff's department has made the following arrests during the past week:
Two for drunkenness; one for vagrancy; one for driving while intoxicated.

Former Sheriff E. B. Moore was greeting his many friends in McKINNEY from all over Collin County, being "first Monday" traders' day. Sheriff Moore, after serving Collin County acceptably for four years, going out on Jan. 1, has moved back to his home in the Lazy Neck community. This Editor, long a well-wisher, had the pleasure of shaking hands with this good man, and former official. He has oodles of friends.

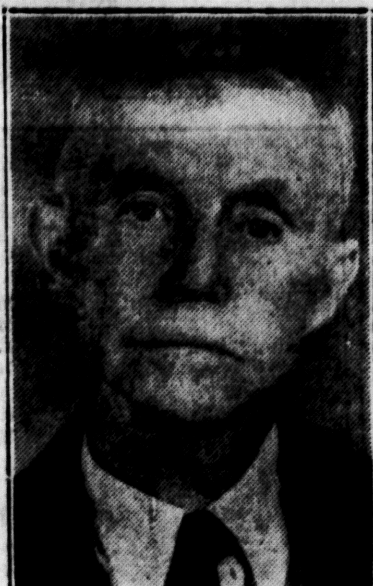
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MR. AND MRS. W. A. RAY

W. A. Ray And Wife Observe 63rd Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ray, well-known and highly respected East Collin couple living East of McKINNEY on Route 5, celebrated their sixty-third wedding anniversary at their home Monday, January 27. A large number of their children, neighbors, and friends called during the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray were married January 27, 1878, in Greenfield, Tennessee, coming to Texas the next year. For a number of years they resided near Blue Ridge, moving from there to Altoga, where they now live. They have lived on the same farm, close to the Altoga Church, the past forty years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray are the parents of fifteen children, nine of whom are living. They are as follows: John Ray, Mrs. Ona Farley, Mrs. Kate Hall, Mrs. Ollie Simpson, Jack Ray, Frank Ray, and Dewey Ray, all of McKINNEY; Mrs. Ida Stewart, Dallas; and Luther Ray, Modesta, California.

Birthday Party For Robert Lee Neely, Age 6

Little Robert Lee Neely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Neely, of Jacksboro, celebrated his fifth birthday, January 25, with a party. Games were played and the gifts opened. All were then taken to the dining room where the birthday cake with five lighted candles burned and the birthday song was sung. The cake was then cut and served with hot cocoa to: Alma Jean Whitsett, Patricia Ann Slaton, Lewis, James, Bill Wayne Faires, Doris Elaine and Lynelle Cherrymones, Fascal Lee and Roddy Gwaltney, Billy Frank Neely, and the little honoree; also, Mmes. Ervin Neely, his Mother; W. C. Cozart, Grandmother; Rich Slaton, Preston James, Judd Cherrymones, also George Porter and W. C. Cozart shared in the party, but were unable to be present.

Mr. Neely, father of Robert Lee is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Neely, who were well-known in McKINNEY. Robert Lee being the youngest grandson, F. M. Neely made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Neely after the death of his wife. Mrs. Ervin Neely states that Mr. Neely, Sr., who passed away recently, is greatly missed by everyone in their home, especially their two sons. F. M. Neely was well-known and highly respected here, being a charter subscriber of the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Bill Neely, will celebrate his tenth birthday, February 23. He will be honored with a party Saturday when his school friends will help him celebrate.

The Neelys receive the Weekly Democrat-Gazette, and read it eagerly. They anxiously await news of their home county and friends.

COLORED MAN DIES
AT HOME NEAR ANNA.
T. M. (Ferg) Perry (col.) died at his home on the Dow Rattan farm, near Anna, Jan. 24, 1941, of pneumonia. "Ferg" as he was better known, was born Feb. 9, 1908, the son of Laura Perry and the late Glen Perry. He spent his entire life on the Rattan farm. His father had lived on the same farm fifty-six years. He is survived by his mother and the following brothers and sisters: Will Perry, McKINNEY; Tex. Vern Perry, West Texas; Mrs. Lucille Thomas and Hattie and Lillian of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin C. Morton, 1618 College Street, are the proud parents of a fine baby son, born Wednesday morning, Feb. 5, at the City Hospital.

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TAA BANQUET TO BE GIVEN AT PLANO FEB. 11.

The annual banquet of the Plano chapter of the A. A. A. will be held in the gymnasium Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 7 o'clock. John E. Owens, vice president of the Republic National Bank of Dallas and A. B. Jolly, Dallas County agricultural agent, will be the guest speakers. Other dignitaries in agricultural circles of this section have been invited.

ALLEN GIRL BRIDE OF McKINNEY MAN.

Miss Lorene Leach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Leach, of Allen became the bride of Gordon Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith, of McKINNEY, at the home of the bride's parents Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Rev. Milton Greer performed the ring ceremony. The relatives and a few friends witnessed the ceremony.

The bride wore a maroon velvet dress with blue accessories, her flowers were maroon and blue sweet peas which were worn as a shoulder bouquet.

Mrs. Leo Nickolson, sister of the bride, her only attendant, wore a powder blue frock with a corsage of pink and white sweet peas. Reece Smith attended his brother as best man.

The bride is a graduate of the Allen High School and holds a responsible position in McKINNEY. Mr. Smith is employed with the R. C. Cola Company.

The happy young couple will make their home at 401 South Wilcox Street, where they have their apartment furnished.

Mrs. R. G. McCain, Jr., of Houston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Burton.

Rembert Gilbert of Celina was operated on at the City Hospital Thursday.

Mrs. John Justice and baby daughter were removed to their home, Route 5, McKINNEY, from the City Hospital Thursday.

Mrs. Vernon Roberts of Frisco underwent a minor operation Thursday morning at the City Hospital.

Mrs. Charlie Lee Smith and baby daughter were removed from the City Hospital to their home at Plano Thursday.

Erwin Comer escaped with minor injuries when his car overturned West of Celina and was destroyed by fire.

Half of the funds received at the skating rink at Weston, Friday night, went into the infantile paralysis fund.

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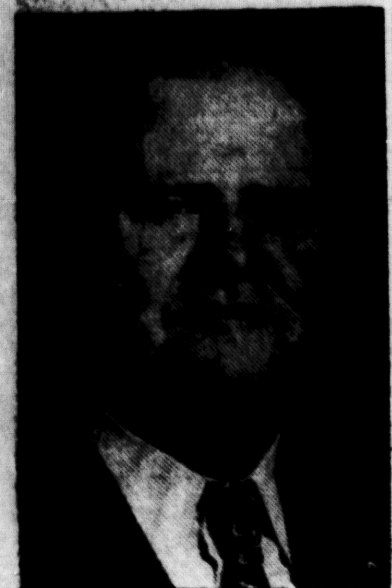
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For Mayor



TOM W. PERKINS

TO ALL THE PEOPLE IN MCKINNEY:

Many solicitations having come from all sections of the city, asking me to submit my name for Mayor, I will state that I choose to do so, and make the race, the election April 1, 1941, and at the proper time will file my name, as required by the City Charter.

TOM W. PERKINS.

As will be seen in the above announcement, former Mayor-elect Tom W. Perkins is here with announcing that he will make the race for Mayor of McKinney in the election scheduled April 1, 1941, and at the proper time will formally file his name for a place on the ticket.

Mr. Perkins is one of this city's and county's best-known, esteemed and out-standing citizens, having been engaged in the newspaper profession most of his life. He has represented this District as State Senator in the Legislature of Texas. He has been actively interested in the newspaper profession, having been honored with the Presidency of the Texas State Press Association, a post which he filled with distinction.

In civic endeavors, Mr. Perkins will always be found among those taking a lead in movements having for their aim the betterment of his home city and county. He believes wholeheartedly in McKinney and Collin County, and the progress and achievements made by this city and county, in which he has played a prominent part, always are pleasing to this civic worker.

Mr. Perkins has served his city ably and well as Mayor in the past and perhaps no man more thoroughly understands and appreciates the workings of the City Government. His motto is to give to others, and nothing gives him greater pleasure or more genuine satisfaction than to render a public service to McKinney and its citizens among whom he has spent a great part of his life.

His announcement for the important post of Mayor comes after much solicitation on the part of his multitude of friends in all parts of the city.—D. W. B.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the employees of the Texas Power & Light Company and many other friends, who take this means of expressing our heartfelt gratitude for your kind expressions of kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our husband, son and father, May God bless each and everyone of you is our wish.

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Short History Of Anna Baptist Church

CHAPTER XIII

EXTEND ARM TO MELISSA.

Many of the members of Friendship church lived near the town of Melissa. Before the building of the meeting house at "New Highland," about a mile south of the town of Anna, Friendship church had held services occasionally in the homes of Bro. James Graves, Col. Fitzhugh, and others. Many of the members of Melissa desired services nearer their homes, as some lived two and three miles east and southeast of town.

Accordingly, in April, 1880, Friendship church "changed its regular day of meeting in order to embrace the first and second Sundays in each month and appointed the first Saturday and Sunday for Highland and the second Sunday at Melissa." Elder McComb continued as pastor until the meeting in September, 1883, when Elder E. W. Holeman was called. On Sept. 29, 1883, Dr. Buckner spoke in the interest of the Orphans Home and took a collection amounting to \$27.90. The minutes state that the church protracted the meeting for two weeks, resulting in ten additional baptisms and many by letter. No mention is made of the preacher during the revival, except that at the close of the meeting Bro. T. B. McComb filled the pulpit (Oct. 13), and Bro. Holeman began his ministry on Nov. 11, 1883.

On Jan. 12, 1884, the "Friendship church gave her sanction to the brethren at Melissa to receive members at that place." Early in 1884, friction evidently developed that led the pastor to offer his resignation at the regular meeting in March. However, at a called meeting on April 5, the church refused to accept the resignation of Bro. Holeman. Again, at the regular meeting on April 12, the church declined to accept the resignation, and voted unanimously to retain Bro. Holeman as pastor. At this same conference, the church voted "to organize a Sabbath school." Those who have studied the history of Texas Baptists know something of the struggle the Sunday schools had. Dr. J. M. Carroll (Carroll's History, page 553) says, "Of the hundreds of Sunday schools that had been organized, very few of them had lived twelve months. Conditions made it next to impossible for them to live." Sunday school had been organized repeatedly, and they would continue until winter when weather and mud combined to defeat their growth and development.

During this time, that faithful and untiring worker, T. B. McComb, was missionary for the Sister Grove Association, and in July, 1884, he led in a revival at Melissa, and several were received into the membership of Friendship church in this meeting. Bro. McComb was assisted in the revival by "Elders Findlay and Wm. Dunn."

On August 9, 1884, Friendship church petitioned the Sister Grove Association to hold its next Annual Session with them, but the minutes of the association for 1885 show that the ses-

sions were held with the Kentuckytown church in Grayson County. Dr. Lair was moderator and was re-elected to that office.

Dr. Buckner Assists in Revival. A fruitful revival was held by the Friendship church in 1884. Beginning Aug. 19 and closing Sept. 2, the pastor was assisted by Elders R. C. Buckner, Levi Dunn, Lockhart, and Bro. Hudson. There were 48 additions—30 by baptism and 18 by letter. At the close of the services, \$30.60 was given as an offering to Buckner Orphans Home.

Melissa Church Organized. According to Bro. J. B. Lair, six churches have been organized out of Friendship. They were, Farmington, Weston, Fairview, Stony Point, Melissa and Roseman Chapel.

On Sept. 13, 1884, Friendship church granted letters to 22 members "in order that they may proceed to constitute a church at Melissa." Among these were some of the strongest Christian characters in the membership. Bro. J. Graves, first convert baptized by Friendship Church; Frederick H. Ogilvie, clerk since April, 1879; John Gibson; and their families, became constituent members in the new church.

Obsequies Held Here Tuesday For Houston Cates

The body of Houston Cates, 40, who died in Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived here Tuesday morning for funeral services and were held Tuesday afternoon. The Massie Funeral Home, which had charge of funeral arrangements, brought the body from Dallas on up to McKinney for the services held Tuesday afternoon at that funeral home at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. J. Ben Snider, McKinney Baptist Minister, had charge of the services. Burial followed in the Wilson Chapel Cemetery, Southeast of McKinney, with the Massie Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving the deceased are his wife and four-year-old son, Billy, who died in Cincinnati. He was the last of his immediate family. His parents and sisters, all of McKinney, preceded him in death. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eck Cates and was a native of McKinney. His sisters were Mrs. Forest Ball and Miss Zevella Cates.

Mr. Cates had been in the cafe business in Cincinnati for fifteen years.

Funeral services were: Lewis Brown, Ray Love, McKelley Looper, Jessie Pate, Leo Odle, and W. H. Hammond. Interment was in the Wilson Chapel Cemetery, with the Massie Funeral Home directing.

Stepfather Is Found Guilty Of Kidnaping

(Dallas News.)

Jesse William Miller, 42-year-old Arkansas ex-convict, was convicted by a Federal Court jury Monday in Texarkana of kidnaping his stepdaughter, Mrs. Dorothy Crawford Gardner, 19, and holding her in virtual slavery on Texas cotton farms for six months.

Judge Harry J. Lemley ordered an instructed verdict of not guilty for Mrs. Miller, according to defense attorneys' contention that whatever action she took was due to intimidation by her husband.

Judge Lemley will sentence Miller Thursday. Convicted under the Lindbergh kidnap law, the defendant is subject to any penalty of imprisonment or death, but government and defense attorneys had agreed during the course of the trial, in a conference with the judge, that the case did not warrant the extreme penalty.

After a week's testimony, climaxed by closing arguments by attorneys Monday, the jurors required only forty-two minutes to reach a decision, returning their verdict at 3 p. m.

They made no recommendation as to punishment.

In presenting the government's case to the jury, Assistant United States District Attorney Thomas Pitts told the jurors: "Protect the freedom of the individual as long as the Stars and Stripes fly."

Mrs. Gardner had testified she was lured from her DeQueen (Ark.) home by her mother and stepfather on the pretense that her grandfather, who had reared her, was critically ill in Texas.

"They took me to Texas and pointed out the cotton patch of a farm and sneered—there's your grandfather—get busy," Mrs. Gardner testified.

She testified she was beaten when she failed to pick the quota of 250 pounds of cotton they set for her daily.

Miller and his wife testified he had whipped his stepdaughter on two occasions, but said that was done because he caught her in company with men.

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Experiment Station Is Being Sought For East Texas

The piney woods region of Southeast Texas would be provided with a poultry livestock experiment station under a bill introduced in the House of Representatives in Austin Monday by Rushing Manning of Center.

At a conference to be selected by the Board of Directors of Texas A. and M. College the bill proposes an experiment station for livestock and poultry adaptable to the region, study of economics in production and use of feeds.

A \$50,000 annual appropriation was asked for the proposed station.

The bill said livestock and poultry husbandry are generally recognized as the most feasible and practicable methods of bringing about diversification of agriculture in the piney woods section.

The district to be served by the station would be the counties of Liberty, Orange, Hardin, Newton, Jasper, Tyler, San Augustine, Sabine and Shelby.

At least one amateur radio station is operated with power from the lines of the Grayson-Collin Electric cooperative. Inc.

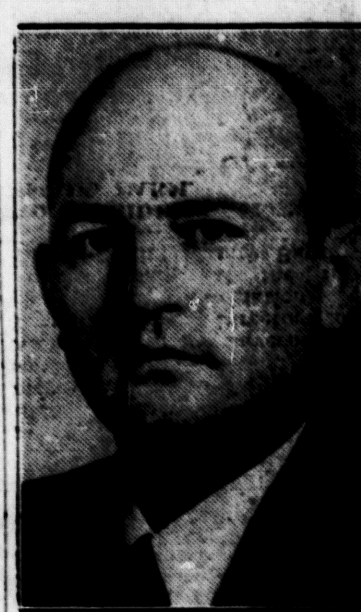
A conversation with the men on Admiral Richard E. Byrd's south pole expedition was reported Thursday by George W. Smith, Jr., who lives three miles South-east of Celina.

Mr. Smith has a rather powerful short wave station, worth perhaps \$1,500 to \$2,000, his friends said. The call letters are W5HIF.

A friend of Mr. Smith from Dallas was with him when he talked to the South Pole, last Wednesday night, for about half an hour.

Weldon Powell is taking over the service station at Anna that has been operated by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Baldwin, who are moving to Denton soon. Mr. Baldwin will be in government work there. His wife has resigned as high school librarian at Anna.

Law Enforcement Subject Of Roland Boyd In Address



HON. ROLAND W. BOYD.

The Rotary Club held its regular noonday meeting Friday in the Educational building of the First Christian Church. A delightful meal was served by the ladies of the First Christian Church.

In charge of program arrangements were Wilkins Comegys and A. M. Scott, who secured County Attorney Roland Boyd to speak to the Club.

Mr. Boyd discussed the general subject of "Law Enforcement," stressing the part of the public in law enforcement. He stated that to secure proper enforcement of law the support of the public was necessary. Mr. Boyd placed particular emphasis on public opinion in enforcement of the drivers' law. He mentioned the part law enforcing agencies are playing in detection of violators in espionage and sabotage cases.

60th Wedding Anniversary Is Observed

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Campbell of McKinney celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary at their home here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, who live at 906 West Hunt Street, formerly lived at Princeton and in Dallas. Eight of their twelve children are still living. They have thirty grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.

THE PEOPLES' CLEARING HOUSE

The Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette will print short timely communications that are acceptable. They must be free from personal abuse and libel. Authors must sign their names. The views expressed herein are the writer's—not those of the editors. Space is limited. This column will be called: "The Peoples' Clearing House."

NO VOTE FOR WAR.

To the Editors:

When we voted for President last November, did we vote for war? This seems to be the conclusion of many writers. Just how far short of a war referendum that vote was will be seen by a brief summary of the issues then before us.

There was the new deal with its record of borrowing spending program trying to overcome an economic crisis. On the other hand there was a retrenchment policy, with many economic palliatives. Also a bipartisan spirit that stimulated political zeal, beside the ennobling personality of the two leading candidates. There is, also, the office with its political patronage. But none of these things get any consideration in a war referendum.

A referendum on war would endorse the administration's present war policy or commit this government to strict neutrality. I unequivocally favor the latter.

LUTHER HUGGINS.

Route 1, Blue Ridge, Texas.

Midway Church Calls Pastor

The Midway Baptist Church has recently called a Pastor, Rev. Laverne Whetsell. He was reared at Floyd, Texas, and is at present in school at East Texas State Teachers College, Commerce. He is also Pastor at Munson in the Hunt County Baptist Association. Rev. Laverne is the Training Union Director for the Hunt County Association. He is being welcomed into the fellowship of Collin County Baptists.

NON-RESIDENT SELLS SMALL FARM.

Mrs. Whitaker of Knowles, Oklahoma has recently sold her 11-acre farm 6 miles Northwest of McKinney to J. S. Crutcher. We assisted in making this sale. Let us sell your farm too. R. L. HIGHT.

Give the entire family a treat: feed them at GAMBLE'S, Phone 104.

Dr. J. C. Erwin, Sr., who has been quite ill with influenza at his home is much improved. This will be good news to his host of friends and well-wishers.

Lt. Gov. Stevenson Will Give Address At C. of C. Meeting

Lieutenant-Governor Coke Stevenson, one of Texas' best-known and liked statesmen, several times Speaker of the House of Representatives and popular, not only in this city and county, but throughout all Texas, has accepted an invitation to give the principal address at the annual McKinney Senior Chamber of Commerce banquet and membership meeting, to be held next month, Friday night, February 14.

President Thos. Johnson of the McKinney Senior Chamber made this announcement Friday afternoon at the monthly Directors' meeting, held at the C. of C. Rooms in this city.

Committees Named.

Committees were named by President Johnson to arrange for the annual event, as follows:

Program: J. H. Merritt, Chairman; W. P. Abernathy, H. A. Finch, W. A. Dowell, Loren King, Tom W. Perkins, F. B. Pope, T. E. Craig, F. D. Perkins, Dr. P. D. Robson, Don W. Bagwell, R. F. Newsome.

Arrangements: Joe E. Largent, Chairman; Ula Saunders, Fred Hicks, George James, M. C. Johnson, M. S. Ware, Add G. Wilson, W. E. Mitchell, Tom M. Scott, Clyde W. Clark, Roy Caldwell, Clint Thompson, Henry W. Warden.

Attendance: A. M. Scott, Chairman; R. C. Heathington, W. B. Finney, Jack R. Ryan, Elton Riggs, Clyde Horn, Bradley Hoover, Byron Hope, Thos. H. Hughton, Artie Williams, C. M. Cooper, C. H. Ray, Pat Roberts, Benjamin Smith, W. Phil Wolford, H. L. Shoap, H. H. Standley, Le. Spillman, Sam Smith, Frank W. Smith, Clifton Dowell, T. J. Lane.

Nominations: Gibson Caldwell, Chairman; Will J. Rhea, J. E. Gibson, Ed West, Tip Purnell, Dr. W. T. Hoard, Wilkins Comegys, A. L. Cole.

Reports Given.

Reports were heard at this interesting meeting from the Junior Chamber of Commerce by retiring President Bill Finney and the new President, Clyde Doyle; Alfred Malley Scott, County Chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Campaign; Pat N. Roberts, reporting on the Collin County Pure Bred Livestock Association and the Farm Security Administration; H. S. Ware, on the oyster bean project; Vernon Crockett, Sanitary Engineer of the City-County Health Unit; City Commissioner Wallace C. Wilson, reporting on city affairs; Superintendent Jack R. Ryan of the McKinney Public Schools; and Secretary W. Hammond Moore, reporting on a diversity of interesting subjects.

Others, who were recognized and who spoke briefly, included Gibson Caldwell, former Mayor-Senator Tom W. Perkins, F. D. Perkins, A. L. Williams, and others.

Tribute Paid Memory A. Hardy Eubanks.

Tribute was paid to the memory of the late A. Hardy Eubanks, prominent McKinney business and civic leader, by President Johnson, who praised the departed Chamber of Commerce official and worker, and who appointed the following Resolutions Committee, to report at the next monthly meeting: Will J. Rhea, J. H. Ware, and Roy C. Heathington.

While the late Mr. Eubanks was his business competitor, yet Mr. Johnson said that he knew intimately the deceased, and described him as a man who rendered a great and valuable service to his city and county; a man, aggressive and determined, and a man whose place will be difficult to fill. He was a man of innumerable talents. "He fought the good fight," said Mr. Johnson.

Twenty-six Directors and members attended the monthly meeting Friday afternoon, as follows: President Johnson, Secretary Moore, City Commissioner Wallace C. Wilson, Tom W. Perkins, Don O. Davis, R. C. Heathington, Will J. Rhea, H. S. Ware, Byron Hope, Bill Finney, Clyde Doyle, A. M. Scott, Jr., Joe E. Largent, Gibson Caldwell, Jack R. Ryan, Fred Hicks, A. M. Scott, Sr., H. H. Standley, Henry W. Warden, F. D. Perkins, A. L. Williams, Pat N. Roberts, Vernon Crockett, and Don W. Bagwell.

Free Fair Dates Set.

Secretary W. Hammond Moore of the Senior Chamber of Commerce informed the Directors' meeting Friday afternoon that the annual McKinney Free Fair and McKinney County Free Fair, which had been set as dates for the annual Collin County Free Fair in McKinney, of which George W. James is President. He announced that Fair officials had contracted for the famous DeLaine's Shows again this year, this making their third consecutive year to furnish entertainment for the Free Fair.

Infantile Paralysis Drive. Alfred M. Scott, Jr., County Wide Chairman of the Infantile Paralysis drive, now in progress, discussed phases of that campaign and urged the cooperation of everyone. Chairman are being named in each town in the county to stage the drive for dimes in their local cities, while letters have been written each Collin school, urging school officials and teachers to give students an opportunity to contribute. While no dance will be held here as in past years, yet there will be many ways to aid in the humanitarian campaign.

including "banks" and \$2.00 booklets or folders, for business houses, and buttons or pins, which sell for a dime, depicting two crippled children, already on sale in the county.

Sunday, January 26, he said, has been designated throughout the nation as "Infantile Paralysis Sunday." Local ministers will cooperate by offering prayers or using various other means to bring the campaign before their congregations.

Caster Bean Project.

H. S. Ware, reporting on the Caster Bean project, said that a threshing would be here probably Saturday or Monday to thresh these beans at the T. P. & L. Company garage, back of the City Hall. He explained that five Collin farmers had each grown an acre of the castor beans, each a different variety, and that the results of the threshing were expected to prove the merits and turnout of each variety.

City Affairs.

City Commissioner Wallace C. Wilson, reporting on city affairs, discussed the street paving project, and mentioned in particular paving of Standifer Street through to the City Hospital as a means of diverting traffic away from the public square by a more direct route. He thanked the Jaycees and others for their able assistance in this program. Mr. Wilson also discussed the building of the two new wings at the City Hospital and said everything is in readiness for opening of ten rooms on the North Wing.

Jaycee Report.

After discussing briefly some of the work of the Jaycees, Bill Finney, immediate Past President of that organization, introduced Clyde Doyle, the new President.

He announced the annual banquet and ladies' night program of the Jaycees, Tuesday night, February 4, at the First Christian Church, and invited the Senior Chamber of Commerce members and their ladies to attend. He announced the appointment of Alfred M. Scott, Jr., as county-wide Chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Campaign and commended Mr. Scott for his ability and interest in the program.

President Doyle also discussed the maternity ward, to be installed at the City Hospital, sponsored by the Junior Chamber, which organization is raising \$500 to properly equip the room.

Bond Refunding.

Secretary Moore told of County Judge J. E. Abernathy's recent visit to Austin in the interest of the bond refunding problem and of Judge Abernathy's desire to discuss the question with business men of the city and county.

Livestock Industry Grows.

Pat N. Roberts reported briefly on the annual meeting of the Collin County Pure Bred Livestock Association, held Saturday of last week, at which officers and directors were named. A barbecue was served preceding the meeting. Sixteen new members have been added to the organization since the first of the year. He reported a widespread interest in the county in breeding, feeding, and caring for livestock and that more results are expected to be shown in the county this year. G. G. Gibson, dairy specialist of the Texas A. and M. College was the principal speaker at the annual meeting, he said.

Mr. Roberts, who is Collin County Farm Security Administration Supervisor, said during the past year the FSA had financed 125 families of the low-income group type, had loaned \$48,000.00 in this program and that collections to the first of the year had amounted to eighty-five per cent of the maturity. Seven good farmers were loaned money to purchase farms.

Reports By Secretary Moore.

Tribute was paid the Junior Chamber of Commerce by Secretary Moore, a group of prominent young McKinney business men who are working for the best interests of McKinney. He thanked the City of McKinney for providing the City Coliseum as a place to store cotton for the making of cotton mattresses. Seventy-five additional bales of cotton are being sent here, in addition to the 250 bales already in town.

He announced that January 31, and February 1 the Texas Chamber of Commerce Managers and Fair Secretaries meeting will be held in Dallas, he being Vice President of each organization. He called attention to the recent election of Ben Warden, brother of Henry W. Warden of this city, as President of the Austin, Texas, Chamber of Commerce, and said it was another instance of a former McKinney boy making good. Mr. Moore and Gibson Caldwell attended the Austin meeting.

President Johnson and Secretary Moore also attended annual Chamber of Commerce meetings at Fort Worth and Denton.

The migratory labor camp being built near Princeton, he said, will be completed and ready for the influx of laborers in Collin County onion fields by June, prior to which time a formal opening of the camp will be held.

He also called attention to a meeting in Oklahoma City, January 31, to discuss National Defense plans. F. D. Perkins and possibly others will attend from McKinney.

Business Men Optimistic.

A. L. Williams briefly discussed his recent visit in Chicago to attend a National Canners' Convention and that he believed business men have the best business outlook in several years. All were optimistic over business con-

Your Home Town

THAT WHITE LEGHORN HEN, THAT WAS AN INTERESTING story in Saturday's Daily Courier-Gazette about the White Leghorn hen of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Box, living on Route 1, Nevada. The hen, they tell us, has used totalitarian methods to "adopt" a family of kittens, taking them forcibly from the mother cat and pecking viciously at the feline animal when she approaches what are rightfully hers. If there are any "doubting Thomases", Mr. and Mrs. Box invite them to visit their Southeast Collin home and "see for themselves" this strange phenomenon in the animal world.

REFUGEE GARMENTS.

THAT IS A COMMENDABLE work the ladies of this city and county are doing in making garments to be shipped by the Red Cross to nations overseas, principally to England. These ladies, in charge of the project and those who are helping make the garments, are to be commended for taking time out from their busy household duties to spend several hours each week in doing this important work. The first shipment already has been sent from this county for refugees in Allied countries engaged in war.

SELECTEES.

COLLIN COUNTY SELECTEES, who left Tuesday of this week for army induction centers for a year's service in the army, will keep informed on home happenings through the kindness of the "Your Friend" Club. Each youth has been given the name of a Collin County man, who has agreed to write him regularly, keeping the selectee informed on events in his home city and county. This is highly meritorious on the part of the Collin men and no doubt their letters will be welcomed by the youths spending a year in the army.

"GREEK SPAGHETTI" PREFERABLE.

A STORY IN THURSDAY afternoon's papers originating in Amarillo is of great interest in McKinney, since it concerns a former McKinney man, who is well-known in this city and county and who has a host of friends still living here. Heading for the story said:

"Greek Spaghetti" Replaces Italian in Amarillo Cafe." Says the story: "There's a new menu at Amarillo's Magnolia Cafe, Theodore Pichos, Proprietor. One item reads: 'Meat Balls—With GREEK Spaghetti.' Mr. Pichos, when the Italo-Greek war broke out last fall, hung a sign in his cafe reading: 'God Bless America—and Little Greece.'"

BRAVO, MR. PITCHOS, AND our hope and the hope of your many McKinney friends is that a year's Greek spaghetti proves a thousand times more popular than the Italian brand. We only wish we could come out to Amarillo and try some of it.

Miss Ella Mae Smith, high school valedictorian from Farmersville, has received special recognition from Alpina Lambda Delta, Freshman Honorary Society at Texas State College for Women, Denton. A scholarship equal to a year's tuition was awarded Miss Smith for her High School achievement, when she enrolled at TSCW. She is majoring in business administration at the college and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith.

Michael Moseley, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moseley, is confined to his home with illness, he said.

Sanitary Engineer Gives Report.

Vernon Crockett, Sanitary Engineer of the City-County Health Unit, discussed the county-wide sanitation program, in which scores of sanitary pit-type toilets are being built for private homes, schools, and businesses. He asked the encouragement of business men in the program.

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday:

"GONE WITH THE WIND"

Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—

"ARIZONA"

Jean Arthur and William Holden

Wednesday and Thursday—

"DANCE, GIRL DANCE"

Maureen O'Hara and Lewis Hayward

TEXAS

Friday and Saturday—

"TRIPLE JUSTICE"

George O'Brien and Virginia Vale

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